

**Albanian Statement  
on UPR-Georgia**

Mr. President,

Albania welcomes the delegation of Georgia for presenting their comprehensive national report today.

We would like to commend the Georgian Government for the recent developments in the legislation, in particular, the adoption of the comprehensive anti-discrimination law on May, 2014 as well as the Georgia's national human rights institution (Office of the Public Defender) which monitors the implementation of the law.

In addition, we also compliment the adoption of the comprehensive and long-term Human Rights Strategy for the years 2014-2020, and its Action Plan being monitored by the Human Rights Secretariat and the Human Rights Inter-Agency Council of Georgian Government.

While encouraging the Georgian Government for further improvements with regard to Human Rights, Albania has the following recommendations:

1. The Law on Gender Equality should be in line with the Law on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination, combating the patriarchal attitudes and stereotypes on the roles and responsibilities of women and men,
2. To undertake further measures for the integration of minorities and the promotion of their representation in the Georgian political and public life.

Albanian would once again wish Georgian Government a successful review session.

Thank you!

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