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Statement by the Republic of Cyprus

Micronesia

Mr. President,

Cyprus welcomes Micronesia's participation in the 2nd cycle of the UPR and commends its authorities for the comprehensive national report submitted, as well as for the presentation before us today.

We commend the measures that the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia has taken to implement its international human rights obligations and for its persistent efforts to ensure the enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms. In particular, we welcome the enactment of the Trafficking in Persons Act of 2012, as well as the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Cyprus has the following 2 recommendations:

1. Eliminate all laws and practices that discriminate against women and promote equal treatment of girls and boys, and
2. Take all necessary measures towards acceding to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Thank you Mr. President.