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Intervention by Ukraine

Mr. President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Sierra Leone and thanks for the presentation of the National report.

We acknowledge with appreciation all the Government's efforts aimed at implementing the first UPR cycle recommendations despite severe challenges faced by the country since then, including Ebola outbreak. We recognize, in particular, that the recommendation made by Ukraine, namely to improve reporting to treaty bodies, has been partly implemented to the extent possible. We therefore take with deep trust the promise made in Sierra Leone's report that all the obligations will be duly addressed.

The delegation of Ukraine expresses hope that the resumed work of the Constitutional Review Committee will result in prompt revision of the Constitution which will mean strengthening Sierra Leone's democratic institutions, the rule of law and human rights mechanisms.

We commend the dedicated work of the delegation of Sierra Leone during the country's membership in the Human Rights Council and its substantial contribution to Council's activities.

Ukraine would like to **recommend** to the Government of Sierra Leone to continue its efforts in implementing the outstanding recommendations from the previous UPR cycle.

Thank you, Mr. President.