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Mr. President,

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

Our delegation would like to acknowledge Singapore's commitment to take a practical approach to the realization of human rights, in particular by upholding the principles of secularism and multi-racialism to ensure equal standing and opportunities for all citizens of the country.

We would also like to welcome the implementation of several new policies and programs aimed at providing better social protection to the citizens, while strengthening the inclusiveness and social harmony, that address many of the recommendations from the first UPR cycle.

Recognizing crucial importance of prevention of human rights violations, **we would like to recommend** to the Government of Singapore to ratify the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees of 1951 and the Protocol to it of 1967, as well as the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and its Optional Protocol.

Thank you, Mr. President.