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Mr President,

Turkey welcomes the Delegation of Greece.

We would like to make the following recommendations:

- Accede to ICRMW and ratify the Council of Europe's "Istanbul Convention".
- Take result-oriented measures for eliminating discrimination and hate speech against migrants, Muslims and the members of the Turkish Muslim minority.
- Fulfill its long-standing pledge for constructing a mosque in Athens, and open one of the historical mosques in Thessaloniki to worship, as well as allocating a cemetery for Muslims in both cities.
- Take necessary steps for recognizing the Muftis elected by the Turkish Muslim minority and repealing the relevant articles of the Law no: 3536/2007.
- Amend relevant articles of the Law on Foundations and allow the Turkish Muslim minority to have full power over the control and supervision of its foundations.
- Execute the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) judgments passed in 2008 about the applications of three minority associations, outlawed on grounds that they had the word "Turkish" in their names.
- Initiate procedures for the opening of Turkish-Greek bilingual kindergartens, as well as new bilingual minority schools in line with the current needs of the minority.
- Reinstate the citizenship of about 60 thousand Greek nationals under the repealed Article 19 of the Greek Citizenship Code.

Thank you.