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Statement by Mr. Temuri Pipia,  
First Secretary of the Permanent Mission  
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UPR of Samoa

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We warmly welcome the Delegation of Samoa and thank the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia highlights Samoa's commitment to the full implementation of its human rights obligations and notes with appreciation that a number of new laws and undertakings have been introduced in Samoa since the first UPR, including the enactment of the Crimes Act, Family Safety Act, Community Law Centre Act and Prisons and Corrections Act 2013.

Georgia commends Samoa for establishing the National Human Rights Commission within the existing Office of the Ombudsman.

Georgia acknowledges with appreciation that Samoa has extended a standing invitation to the United Nations special procedures.

Georgia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Samoa:

- To ratify the CRPD;
- Further enhance national policies to promote the rights of women and children.

We wish the distinguished delegation of Samoa a successful UPR.

Thank you Mr. President.