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

While acknowledging legislative and institutional initiatives in Sudan, including the enactment of new laws and the establishment of the governmental human rights institutions to promote fundamental rights and freedoms, we are concerned with legislative provisions, which negatively affect primarily women and children. In this context, Georgia urges the Sudanese government to introduce relevant amendments to the national legislation in order to ensure better protection of human rights, including the rights of the most vulnerable groups.

Georgia encourages the Government of Sudan to issue a standing invitation to all special procedures mandate holders.

Georgia **recommends** to the Government of Sudan:

- To introduce a moratorium on death sentences with a view to abolish the death penalty;
- To ratify the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;

We wish the delegation of Sudan a successful UPR.