**GEORGIA**

**The 27th Session of the UPR Working Group**

**UPR of Philippines**

Geneva, 8 May 2017

Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Philippines and thanks the Head of the Delegation for the presentation of the National Report.

Georgia welcomes the measures undertaken by the Philippines to promote the rights of the most vulnerable groups – women, children and persons with disabilities through adopting specific legislative acts and elaborating new policies. We also note the steps of the government in dealing poverty alleviation agenda.

We call on the Government of the Philippines not to restore the death penalty.

We also encourage the government to issue a standing invitation to the Special Procedures Mandate Holders.

Georgia would like to recommend to the Government of the Philippines:

* To speed up the process for the adoption of the non-discrimination law;
* To further strengthen measures to fully eliminate torture and all forms of ill-treatment at every level, including by establishing the National Preventing Mechanism.

We wish the Delegation of the Philippines a successful UPR.