**GEORGIA**

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Georgia warmly welcomes the Delegation of Poland and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia commends Poland’s achievements in dealing with human rights agenda and important steps conducted to implement UPR recommendations.

We note with appreciation that Poland is a signatory to the most international conventions and welcome ratifications of the Istanbul Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence, Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse and CRPD since the second cycle.

Georgia welcomes a range of measures that have been taken to improve conditions in prisons and to comply with international standards, including the steps taken to decrease the population density in prisons, limit the application of the liberty deprivation penalty and decrease the number of pre-trial detentions.

Georgia also welcomes the submission of a mid-term implementation report and encourages the Government of Poland to continue this practice.

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

* To conduct further steps towards the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the CRC on a Communications Procedure;
* To strengthen action to combat human trafficking, with emphasis on the prevention and protection measures addressing the particular vulnerability of children to trafficking.

We wish the Delegation of Poland a successful UPR.