**Statement by Hungary on Poland**

**27th Session of the UPR Working Group, 9 May 2017**

**Mr. President,**

Hungary warmly welcomes the delegation of Poland and appreciates the detailed national report and update presented by the country under review. We welcome that the Government of Poland accepted many of the recommendations made during its second UPR cycle in 2012. Hungary is pleased in particular that Poland ratified the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence in 2015.

**Hungary makes the following recommendations** to the Government of Poland:

* Accede to and fully implement the 1954 and 1961 Statelessness Conventions.
* Continue its efforts to better assist children of Roma origin to have access to quality education.

We welcome that new laws relating to citizenship were adopted to reduce statelessness and therefore urge the Government to ratify the 1954 and 1961 Statelessness Conventions in order to secure the basic rights of stateless persons and introduce a formal statelessness determination procedure.

Tackling the challenges of the Roma minority has been a priority for our country. As such, the Hungarian EU Presidency put a special focus on the issue by initiating an EU strategy on Roma inclusion. Therefore, Hungary takes positive note of the measures taken by the Government of Poland to promote the protection of the Roma community. As it is revealed in various reports that Roma children are still facing discrimination in the field of education, we recommend Poland to continue its efforts to better assist children of Roma origin to have access to quality education and therefore advance the integration of Roma.

**Thank you, Mr. President!**