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**Statement by Türkiye**

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Mr. President,

Türkiye warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Azerbaijan, headed by Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Samir SHARIFOV and thanks them for their comprehensive presentation.

We command the measures taken by Azerbaijan for further strengthening freedom of expression and association, social and economic rights, fight against human trafficking, discrimination and domestic violence.

We welcome the successful implementation of state program aimed at providing sustainable resettlement of people in the liberated territories and reintegrating these territories to the country’s economy.

We also welcome the large-scale restoration and reconstruction works in its liberated territories and appreciate its efforts to create necessary conditions for safe and dignified return of former IDPs to their native lands.

We support Azerbaijan’s demining efforts in its liberated territories for the safe return of former IDPs to their homes.

We wish Azerbaijan every success in its review.

I thank you.