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**Intervention by the delegation of Ukraine**

**Mr. President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Bangladesh and thanks for the presentation of the National report.

We commend progress made in the promotion and protection of human rights, including poverty reduction, education, healthcare access, and acknowledge Bangladesh’s significant role in hosting a large number of Rohingya refugees and delivering humanitarian assistance to them.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, we would like to make the following recommendations:

1. to further strengthen the legal frameworks and support mechanisms to ensure the full realization of women's rights;

2. to uphold and protect freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and of association;

3. to adopt the legislation abolishing the death penalty and establish a moratorium on all pending executions.

In conclusion, Ukraine commends Bangladesh for its commitment to the UPR process and we believe that these recommendations, if implemented, will further enhance the human rights.

**Thank you**.