**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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**Cuba**

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Kazakhstan welcomes the delegation of Cuba to the fourth cycle of UPR and thanks it for its presentation.

My delegation commends the adoption of several programs and strategies aimed at promoting and protecting human rights, such as the National Programme against Racism and Racial Discrimination in 2019, the National Programme for the Advancement of Women in 2021 and the Comprehensive Strategy on Prevention and Support in relation to Gender-based and Family Violence in 2021.

We would like to make the following recommendations:

* Strengthen the means to protect people in situations of vulnerability or at risk of not being able to exercise their right to food;
* Keep up actions aimed at raising the quality and seriousness of the teaching-learning process;
* Encourage an ever greater participation of civil society, public and academic institutions, and the population in general in the fight against corruption.

We wish the delegation of Cuba a successful review.