

**The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva**

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Review of Russian Federation

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The Republic of Serbia welcomes the delegation of the Russian Federation at the UPR’s Session and thanks it for presenting its National Report.

Serbia commends the Russian Federation for its dedication to the UPR process, the efforts invested in responding to the recommendations from the previous UPR cycle, and its cooperation with the human rights treaty bodies. We commend the efforts the Russian Federation has invested to improve conditions for good quality and accessible education for children with disabilities. We welcome that the Russian Federation adopted in 2022 the National Women’s Strategy for the period 2023-2030. We also welcome the implementation of the programme to promote youth employment for the period up to 2030, aimed at developing vocational guidance work with young people.

Serbia encourages the Russian Federation to consider adopting federal legislation prohibiting domestic violence, and providing victims with access to effective remedies and protection. Serbia recommends the Russian Federation to continue to take measures to improve the quality of life for senior citizens and the persons with disabilities. We also recommend the Russian Federation to take further appropriate measures to protect intangible cultural heritage.

Serbia wishes the Russian Federation a successful and fruitful review process.