

Statement by

**the Republic of Slovenia**

at the

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Slovenia wishes to commend the delegation of Turkmenistan for the national report, its presentation today and the commitment to the UPR process.

Slovenia would like to make the following recommendations:

* Facilitate the visits of special procedures mandate holders who have requested to visit Turkmenistan;
* Strengthen efforts to fight gender-based violence, including domestic violence, by conducting educational and awareness-raising campaigns for public, training of employees in law enforcement and judiciary, and formulating comprehensive support services for victims and survivors;
* Thoroughly investigate all incidents of child labour in the cotton harvest, and prosecute and punish those responsible.

Thank you.