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**Review of Tuvalu**

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**Intervention by the delegation of Ukraine**

**Mr. Vice-President,**

Ukraine thanks the delegation of Tuvalu for the presentation of the National report.

Our delegation recognizes Tuvaluan commitments to human rights protection and promotion and notes the efforts taken by its authorities to improve the institutional and legislative framework for human rights.

While acknowledging the steps taken by the Government of Tuvalu towards the implementation of its international obligations in the human rights area, we would like to recommend to Tuvaluan authorities:

* to ratify ICCPR and Optional Protocol thereto, Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, International Convention on Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination;
* to undertake further measures regarding the remaining key areas where improvements need to be made - most notably in relation to vulnerable groups of residents, in particular women, persons with disabilities and children.

We thank the delegation of Tuvalu for its engagement to UPR process and wish success in the fourth cycle of the Review.

**Thank you**.