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Georgia warmly welcomes the Delegation of Uzbekistan and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia welcomes the cooperation between Uzbekistan and OHCHR and commends the Government for financial contributions made during the reporting period. Having said that, we encourage the Government to more actively be engaged with special procedure mandate holders.

My delegation commends the government for the ratification of the CRPD in 2021. We positively assess the process of public discussion of legal documents, including laws, decrees, presidential decisions and directives.

Herewith, Georgia would like to **recommend** to Uzbekistan:

* To take further steps towards ratification of the OPCATconsider the accession to the CRPD and its Optional Protocol, as well as to Optional Protocols to CRC on communications procedure, CAT and CEDAW;
* To continue improving its legal and administrative framework, in accordance with its international obligations.

We wish the Delegation of Uzbekistan a successful UPR.