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Review of New Zealand

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President,

Armenia welcomes the delegation of New Zealand to its fourth UPR and thanks for the presentation of the national report. We commend New Zealand for its commitment to implementing recommendations included in the third cycle.

Armenia praises New Zealand for the advancement in the field of protection and promotion of children’s rights. In this context, we welcome the fact that, in 2022, New Zealand had become a party to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure.

In addition, Armenia welcomes the Sexual Violence Legislation Act passed by the Government of New Zealand in 2021.

Armenia would like to make the following ***recommendations*** to New Zealand:

1. We would like to reiterate our recommendation that we made on the 3rd cycle to finalize accession to the International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced Disappearance.
2. To continue its efforts to combat human trafficking.

We wish New Zealand a successful UPR review.

I thank you.