**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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Kazakhstan welcomes New Zealand's strong commitment to improving its human rights record and implementing the recommendations received during previous UPR cycles.

My delegation appreciates the progress made in eliminating domestic and sexual violence, including violence against women and girls, children and youth and persons with disabilities, as well as in improving education, health and protection of Māori and Pacific children.

My delegation would like to make the following **recommendations** **to**:

- Strengthen efforts to address gender-based violence, including family violence and sexual violence, particularly against women and children from ethnic minority groups and persons with disabilities;

- Ensure the effective implementation of legislation to guarantee the right to adequate housing and prioritise housing for the most vulnerable;

- Take further steps to combat trafficking in persons and, in this regard, ensure the effective implementation of existing legislation.

We wish the delegation of New Zealand a successful review.

Thank you!