**ARMENIA**

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**Review of North Macedonia**

President,

Armenia welcomes the delegation of North Macedonia and thanks for presenting the national report.

Armenia applauds North Macedonia for supporting 167 of the 169 recommendations from the third cycle, demonstrating the country’s commitment to strengthening the national and international agenda for promoting and protecting human rights.

Armenia welcomes the adoption of the new national action plan for preventing and addressing the abuse and neglect of children and the strategy for the prevention and protection of children from violence. With this regard, we **recommend** that North Macedonia step up efforts to implement the national action plan.

Armenia also **recommends** North Macedonia to enhance educational opportunities for girls and women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields and advocate for increased awareness and interest in STEM through targeted campaigns, outreach programs and initiatives.

Armenia wishes North Macedonia a successful UPR.

Thank you.