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My delegation welcomes and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia welcomes latest measures of the Government aimed at strengthening of the legal and institutional framework for promotion and protection of human rights, namely adoption of the Law on Monetary Compensation of Victims of Violent Crimes and a new Law on Amending the Criminal Code.

We commend measures taken to combat violence against children, including legal reforms and the adoption of the new relevant national action plan for the period 2020– 2025.

We laud the government for prioritizing the promotion of gender equality through establishing relevant local and national institutional mechanisms and adoption of the Strategy for gender equality 2022-2027.

Stemming from the above my delegations recommends to North Macedonia:

* To further pursue the harmonization of its new Criminal Code, Law on Criminal Procedure, and a Law on Justice for the Children with the European Directives and the practice of the European Court of Human Rights.
* To continue allocating financial resources for the implementation of the national action plan against violence against children.

With this we wish the delegation of North Macedonia a very successful review.