Statement of Hungary

**UPR review of North Macedonia**

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Mr./Madam Chair,

Hungary welcomes the delegation of North Macedonia and thanks for the presentation of their national report.

We note with appreciation positive developments since the 3rd review cycle, particularly in the areas of the rights of persons with disabilities, freedom of expression, and the social inclusion of the Roma community. In this respect, we highlight the Law on Primary Education promoting the full inclusion of students with disabilities; the established mechanisms for monitoring cases of attacks, threats and intimidating behaviour towards journalists; as well as the 2022-2030 Roma inclusion strategy and related action plans.

Regarding the 4th cycle UPR review of North Macedonia, Hungary wishes to make the following two recommendations in a constructive spirit:

* Further already existing efforts aiming at the improvement of Roma people’s unhindered access to health-care, education, employment and social protection services.
* Continue professional development training for judges and public prosecutors on issues such as violence against women and children.

Hungary wishes the delegation of North Macedonia much success in the current UPR cycle.

I thank you.