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**Human Rights Council**

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**Review of Dominica**

*(7 November 2024)*

**Intervention by Ukraine**

*(Speaking time: 2 min. 0 sec.)*

**Madame Vice-President,**

Ukraine warmly welcomes the delegation of Dominica led by Honourable Dr. Vince Hendersen, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Business, Trade and Energy, and thanks them for the comprehensive presentation of their national report. Your presence here today serves as a strong testament to Dominica’s firm commitment to the UPR process and human rights protection.

Ukraine commends the efforts taken by Dominica since its last review, in particular in the spheres of child protection, promoting non-discrimination, supporting vulnerable groups, women’s empowerment, and climate resilience.

In the spirit of constructive dialogue Ukraine would like to recommend to the Government of Dominica:

* to ratify the remaining core human rights instruments to which Dominica is not yet a party;
* to take further steps toward combating domestic violence and advancement of women’s rights, including by updating and implementing the National Policy and Plan of Action on Gender Equality;
* to establish a National Human Rights Institution and appoint an Ombudsperson;
* to continue efforts to guarantee equal access to education for all and to ensure that education is inclusive;

Ukraine wishes Dominica a successful review.

**Thank you.**