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**Statement by Slovakia**

28 January 2025

Mr. President,

Slovakia welcomes the delegation of Slovenia and thanks for the presentation of its national report. We appreciate that Slovenia followed-up on recommendations from previous UPR cycle, including those from Slovakia.

Slovakia commends Slovenia for active engagement on various human rights topic, e.g. rights of the child, older persons or environment. Slovakia praises Slovenia´s efforts to address migration and international protection issues by supporting the establishment of regular, safe and orderly migration and comprehensive and effective management of migration flows.

While Slovakia appreciates favourable conditions of the Roma community in Prekmurje, where the Roma are well integrated and live in solid social conditions, traditional problems persist in Dolenjska – poor social conditions, problems in schools, difficult relations with the majority population and increased crime.

Therefore, Slovakia **recommends** to **Slovenia:**

1. continue in efforts to uplift the Roma community and integrate it following the good example of Prekmurie;
2. continue efforts to provide free primary and secondary education also through relevant legislative arrangements.

We wish Slovenia a successful review.