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Georgia warmly welcomes the Delegation of Ghana and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation.

Georgia welcomes the ratification of the following international instruments: OP on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict, the OP on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography and OPCAT.

We also commend the decision of the Cabinet to grant approval for the abolition of death penalty on 24th April, 2014 and encourage the government to hold relevant referendum in timely fashion.

In line of the aforesaid Georgia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Ghana:

* To ratify the Optional protocol to CRC on Communications Procedure;
* To expedite internal procedures related to the establishing of the National Preventive Mechanism under the OPCAT;
* To intensify efforts aimed at establishing standing coordinating body for the implementation of recommendations and reporting.

We wish the delegation of Ghana a successful UPR.