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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of Pakistan and thanks the Head of the Delegation for the presentation.

Georgia recognizes the steps taken by Pakistan in addressing the recommendations from the second review. In this regard, we welcome the adoption of the comprehensive National Action Plan on Human Rights and the ratification of the OP to the CRC on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict.

While noting Government’s strive to establish an inclusive society, we encourage the Government of Pakistan to accelerate its efforts with regard to combating hate crime and eliminating violence against minority groups.

Georgia would like to recommend to the Government of Pakistan:

* To ratify the OP to the CRC on a Communications Procedure;
* To strengthen measures with regard to elimination of violence and discrimination against persons belonging to religious minorities;
* Step up efforts to ensure provision of free and quality primary and secondary education.

We wish the Delegation of Pakistan a successful UPR.