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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Republic of Zambia and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation.

We welcome the new Constitution of Zambia and its provisions on non-discrimination. While recognizing the initiatives to promote and enhance the rights of women, we encourage the Government to accelerate efforts with the view to preventing gender-based violence and sexual abuses.

Georgia recommends the Government of Zambia to:

* Consider ratification of the Optional Protocol of the CAT.
* Undertake effective measures to combat violence against women;
* Further Strengthen the policies to protect children’s rights.

We wish the Delegation of Zambia a successful UPR.