**UPR of Ghana**

Mr. President,

1. Poland would like to thank the delegation of Ghana for their comprehensive national report and active participation in the third cycle of the UPR process.
2. We acknowledge Ghana’s efforts undertaken to comply with the recommendations accepted during the second cycle of UPR.
3. Poland welcomes the ratification of the Optional protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child concerning involvement in armed conflicts, sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. At the same time we recommend Ghana to take all necessary steps to eliminate the harmful practices towards girls, as well as release all children, who are subjected to the *trokosi* practice.
4. We appreciate all steps taken by Ghana to eliminate the death penalty. In this context we recommend Ghana to finalize the process of implementation of the Bill drafted for the abolition of the capital punishment. We also recommend Ghana to ratify Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at abolition of the death penalty.
5. Noting Ghana’s ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman, Degrading, Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT) we recommend Ghana to take all necessary steps to establish National Preventive Mechanism.