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Review of Saint Lucia

*(20 January 2021)*

Intervention by Ukraine

Mme/Mr President,

Ukraine welcomes Saint Lucia’s delegation and the country’s adherence to the Review process.

We positively note that Saint Lucia has established the National Coordinating Committee for Human Rights with a mandate to monitor and report on the national human rights situation, and we encourage it to continue the path in the direction to establish a national human rights institution in compliance with the Paris Principles.

Ukraine recommends:

- to abolish or to establish moratorium on the death penalty;

- to take all the legal, administrative, and institutional measures to eliminate domestic violence, in particularly against women and girls, and to bring perpetrators to justice;

- to ratify the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, and to bring the domestic legal framework in line with its international obligations;

- to cooperate closely with the Human Rights special procedures by receiving their mandate holders with the visits.

We wish Saint Lucia a successful review.

Thank you.