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**UPR OF SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS**

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Georgia warmly welcomes the Delegation of Saint Kitts and Nevis and thanks the head of the Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

We value measures introduced by the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis aimed at improving the promotion and protection of human rights within the current review cycle.

Georgia lauds the Government for the accession to such important international instruments as Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in 2019 and Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhumane or Degrading Treatment or Punishment in 2020. (National report p.5 and 6). In case of CRPD we welcome the implementation steps, including addressing the issue of accessibility in housing and public transportation system. (National report p. 9. 10)

We also welcome the establishment of the National Mechanism for Reporting and Follow up. (UN compilation p.6, National report p.15) and note with satisfaction measures aimed at improving the status of women and girls under the responsibility of the Department of Gender Affairs. (National; report p.33)

Herewith, Georgia would like to recommend to Saint Kitts and Nevis:

* To take further steps towards ratification of the Optional Protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (National Report p.12;13)
* To continue its efforts against gender-based violence (Report p.34; Summary of Stakeholder 8)

With this in mind, we wish Saint Kitts and Nevis a successful UPR.