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**Review of Myanmar**

**Statement by Greece**

Thank you Madam President,

 Greece welcomes the delegation of Myanmar to the UPR.

We recognize the steps taken towards democratization and welcome the cooperation with the UN SG’s Special Envoy. Greece remains gravely concerned by the reports of commission of the gravest crimes under international law, including crimes against humanity and war crimes, as well as of a plethora of grave human rights violations and abuses.

**Greece would like to recommend that Myanmar:**

1. Cooperate fully with and grant full unfettered access to UN human rights mechanisms, including the UN Special Rapporteur on Myanmar and the IIMM [Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar]
2. Accede to and effectively implement the core international human rights instruments, including the ICCPR and its Optional Protocols; the ICERD; the UN CAT and OP-CAT; the ICPPED and the Rome statute.
3. Ensure that journalists, human rights defenders and peaceful activists are free from harassment and discrimination, and that they are able to conduct their work in a safe environment.
4. Ensure prompt, independent, impartial, and effective investigations into allegations of human rights violations, including by members of the security forces.

Greece wishes Myanmar every success in implementing the recommendations received today.

Thank you