**UPR Working Group**

**Universal Periodic Review of Tajikistan**

**Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova**

 (*Geneva, 4 November 2021)*

Thank you, Madame Vicepresident,

The Republic of Moldova warmly welcomes the Tajik delegation to the UPR Working Group.

We commend the efforts taken by Tajikistan’s Government to implement the recommendations made during the previous UPR cycle and to advance its human rights agenda.

To this end, Republic of Moldova would like to make the following recommendations:

1. To undertake steps in order to ensure equal access to high quality and inclusive education for all persons, eliminate negative stereotypes and other barriers hindering access for women and girls to education
2. To increase women representation in the political life and public administration, particularly in decision-making positions at national and local levels.
3. To ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

To conclude, we wish Tajikistan a successful UPR cycle.

I thank you, Madame Vicepresident.