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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of Papua New Guinea and thanks the head of the Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia notes with appreciation measures taken by the Government aimed at improving human rights, including the establishing a National Human Rights Commission within the current review cycle.

My delegation also values the positive developments in respect to the development of gender equality and social inclusion policy for the Royal Constabulary.

Georgia appreciates the efforts of the government of Papua New Guinea to encounter challenges with regards to fulfilling the different domestic implementation processes for human policies and legislations and encourage the government to vigorously continue tackle problematic issues.

Having said that Georgia recommends to the Government of Papua New Guinea:

* To take further steps towards the ratification of the Convention against Torture and its Optional Protocol;
* To continue efforts aimed at establishing a national human rights institution in accordance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights.

We wish the Delegation of Papua New Guinea successful UPR.