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Georgia warmly welcomes the Delegation of Samoa and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

We commend the continuous efforts of Samoa to implement recommendations received during the 2nd UPR cycle.

In this regard, we note with satisfaction, that since its previous review, Samoa has ratified some of the core Human Rights conventions, such as the CRPD and UNCAT.

Georgia positively assesses the adoption of the Samoa Climate Change Policy 2020 and the Samoa 2040 policy documents, both aligned with international commitments related to climate change. We also note the need to adopt a human rights approach in this regard. With this in mind, Georgia would like to recommend to the Government of Samoa:

* To advance steps towards the ratification of core human rights treaties
* To continue efforts for improving access to health care, particularly in rural areas.
* To continue towards comprehensive measures to prevent and address domestic violence Georgia wishes the Delegation of Samoa a very successful UPR.