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**THE 40TH SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

**UPR of SOUTH SUDAN**

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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of South Sudan and thanks the Head of the Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia commends efforts of the Government of South Sudan aimed at implementation of recommendations from the previous cycle.

We positively note initial steps towards accession to and ratification of the international and regional instruments on human rights, particularly, ICCPR, CRPD, and encourage the Government to continue its efforts aimed at successful completion of the process.

Georgia also acknowledges the Government’s measures concerning the vulnerable groups, specifically, victims and survivors of gender-based violence, IDPs, children and persons with disabilities

Herewith, Georgia would like to recommend to the Government of South Sudan to:

* To continue cooperation with human rights special procedures;
* To further enhance measures to protect children’s rights, especially by ensuring their access to education.
* To continue with efforts aimed at eliminating discrimination against women and girls.

We wish the Delegation of South Sudan a successful UPR.

Thank you.