**GEORGIA**

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

**UPR OF DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE**

**Geneva, 27 January 2022**

Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

We commend the Government of Timor-Leste for its initiatives to amend its policies and procedures for greater protection of human rights and in particular, adoption of the National Action Plan for Children.

We positively note the national developments towards ensuring the rights of persons with disabilities and also steps undertaken towards reduction of gender-based violence and promotion and protection of the rights of women and girls.

Herewith, Georgia would like to recommend to Timor-Leste:

* To proceed with the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;
* To continue working on strengthening the legal framework and adoption of effective measures to address the gender-based violence.

With this in mind, we wish the delegation of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste a very successful UPR.