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**42nd session of Working Group on Universal Periodic Review**

**Review of Ghana**

*(24 January 2023)*

**Intervention by Ukraine**

 *(Speaking time: 1 min. 5 sec.)*

**Mr President,**

Ukraine welcomes the high-level delegation of Ghana and thanks for the presentation of its national report.

Ukraine positively notes the developments of Ghana since the last review in terms of legislative and policy measures to improve the enjoyment of human rights, including steps towards establishing of the Committee on Human Rights.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, we **recommend** Ghana to make further progress and:

* to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
* to set up a National Preventive Mechanism in line with the requirements of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture;
* to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance and to implement it into national law.

We wish the delegation of Ghana a very successful review.

**I thank you.**