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

**Review of Zambia**

*(30 January 2023)*

**Intervention by Ukraine**

 *(Speaking time: 1 min.15 sec.)*

**Mr Vice President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Zambia and thanks for the presentation of its national report.

Recognizing the efforts made by the Government since the 3rd UPR cycle, we encourage Zambia to take further efforts to implement all recommendations accepted by Zambia during the UPR and **recommend** to the Government of Zambia:

* to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
* to redouble ongoing efforts for the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
* to adopt additional measures to promote and protect the rights of children as well as to ratify Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Ukraine wishes Zambia a successful review.

**I thank you.**