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*Statement at UPR of Czechia*

Albania warmly welcomes the delegation of the Czech Republic.

We commend the Czech Republic for its commitment to promote and protect human rights at the national and international level. We value its active contribution to the work of the Human Rights Council, and the continuing efforts by the Czech Republic to fulfill its international obligations.

We commend the Czech Republic for implementing most of the recommendations of the third cycle of the UPR.

* Albania welcomes the extensive efforts made by the Czech Republic to ensure gender equality, including through the adoption of the Government Strategy. We recommend that the Czech Republic intensify efforts to promote increased representation of women at all levels of the public administration, particularly in decision-making positions.
* We welcome the achievements of the Czech Republic in combating racism. We recommend that Czech Republic continue efforts to prevent hate speech and thoroughly investigate hate crimes.