**UPR 42**

**(Geneva, 23.1-3.2.2023)**

**Review of Czechia**

**Statement by Greece**

Thank you Mr. President,

Greece warmly welcomes the delegation of the Czech Republic to the 4th UPR cycle.

We want to commend the progress achieved by the country since the last UPR cycle.

We would like to especially welcome the Strategy of Roma Equality, Inclusion and Participation, approved by the Government in 2021.

Regarding gender-based discrimination, we also welcome the adoption of the Strategy for Gender Equality 2021 - 2030, dealing, among other, with equal representation in decision-making positions and combating gender stereotypes.

Greece would like to recommend that the Czech Republic:

1) Consider establishing a mechanism for the monitoring of awareness of children’s rights.

2) Continue efforts to tackle youth poverty.

3) Consider the ratification of the Istanbul Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence.

I thank you.