**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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Kazakhstan welcomes strong commitment of the Republic of Korea to improve its human rights record and implement the recommendations received during the previous cycles of UPR. My delegation appreciates the advances it has made in pro-family and social policy and support for the persons in vulnerable situations as well as improvement of human rights in the military and human rights education at schools.

My delegation would like to make the following **recommendations**:

* Strengthen efforts to address gender-based violence, including domestic violence;
* Ensure the effective implementation of the legislation on guaranteeing the right to adequate housing and prioritising housing for persons in a disadvantaged position;
* Consider abolishing the capital punishment and introducing alternatives to death penalty.

We wish the delegation of the Republic of Korea a successful review.