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**Review of South Korea**

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Mr. President,

Malawi welcomes South Korea to this review and appreciates the progress the country has made in the promotion and protection of human rights since last review. We particularly note legislation in prevention of human trafficking.

We make the following recommendations.

1. Consider ratification of major outstanding international human rights instruments.
2. Take steps on alternative service to ensure observance of rights to freedom of thought, belief, conscience and religion.

Thank you, Mr. President.