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**Human Rights Council**

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**Review of the Bahamas**

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**Intervention by Ukraine**

*(Speaking time: 1 min. 25 sec.)*

**Mr. President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of the Bahamas and thanks for the presentation of the National report. We commend the Bahamas crucial membership in the HRC during 2019-2021 and its continued active role as HRC observer state.

Ukraine acknowledges the progress of the Bahamas in the fulfill the recommendations accepted during the previous UPR cycle and positively note the efforts taken by the country.

Ukraine would like to recommend to the Government of the Bahamas:

* to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance;
* to adopt comprehensive draft bill and the draft national strategic plan to address gender-based violence;
* to establish concrete goals and time frames for strengthening the equal participation of women in public and political life at all levels;
* to develop protection-sensitive mechanisms for the profiling and referral of asylum-seekers and vulnerable migrants.

We wish the Bahamas a successful review.

**Thank you.**