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**Review of United Arab Emirates**

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**Intervention by Ukraine**

**Mr. President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of the United Arab Emirates and thanks for the presentation of National report.

We commend the Government’s consistent approach to the promotion and protection of human rights, which is based on a solid network of relevant national institutions guided in their work by a significant number of national policies and strategies. This approach yields a notable progress.

The generous contribution of the UAE to a variety of the UN human rights institutions and funds is highly commendable.

We appreciate very much that the National report itself contains a chapter on voluntary pledges by the State to be implemented within the current UPR cycle.

Our **recommendations**:

to keep up with the State’s voluntary pledges and commitments, including on establishment of NHRI in line with Paris Principles;

to continue work on accession to the key international human rights instruments including the two core treaties, ICCPR and ICESCR.

**Thank you.**