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**UPR of Serbia**

**Statement by the Republic of Poland**

24th January 2018, Geneva

Mr. President,

Poland warmly thanks the delegation of Serbia for informative national report and its active participation in the third cycle of the UPR process.

We acknowledge efforts of the Republic of Serbia undertaken to comply with the recommendations accepted during the second cycle of UPR. In particular, we welcome the developments in combating discrimination, violence against women, and corruption.

At the same time, Poland would like to present the following recommendations to the Government of Serbia to:

* strengthen the legal framework for the Ombudsman;
* promote the participation of women in public and political life, and in the labour market;
* continue efforts to protect effectively women and children against violence, particularly to consider running the awareness raising campaign in this respect;
* strengthen effectiveness of actions undertaken for the enhancement of editorial independence and pluralism in the media.

I thank you.