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We warmly welcome the Delegation of Barbados and thank the Head of the Delegation for the presentation.

Georgia notes with appreciation the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by Barbados and encourages the Government to accelerate its efforts towards elaboration of national policy on disability.

We welcome the steps aimed at tackling domestic violence through passing the Domestic Violence Amendment Act as well as establishment of the Family Conflict Intervention Unit. We underline the importance of further strengthening policies in this regard.

Georgia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Barbados:

* To ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights with an aim to abolish the death penalty;
* To intensify efforts for bringing domestic legislation on combating all forms of discrimination in line with international standards;
* To consider issuing a standing invitation to all special procedures mandate holders.

We wish the delegation of Barbados a successful UPR.