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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of Israel and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

We note with appreciation that Israel appeared before various UN human rights treaty bodies since the last review.

Georgia welcomes efforts made by the Government of Israel to promote human rights of persons with disabilities and hopes that the Government will further mainstream their rights.

We acknowledge steps taken with regard to women’s increased participation in public sphere and encourage the Government of Israel to further enhance its efforts to empower women and promote gender equality at all levels.

 Having said that, Georgia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Israel:

* To continue tackle the problem of the gender-based violence in a vigorous manner;
* To continue efforts aimed at strengthening policies to protect children’s rights.

With this in mind, Georgia wishes the Delegation of Israel a successful UPR.