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

We note with appreciation steps taken by the Government of Uzbekistan to implement the recommendations from previous UPR cycle and welcome the adoption of the national plan of action for the implementation of recommendations of the Human Rights Council and of the UN treaty bodies.

Georgia welcomes the cooperation between Uzbekistan and OHCHR and encourages the Government to further continue efforts in this direction.

We acknowledge amendments introduced to the domestic legislation and encourage the Government to take all necessary steps to ensure that relevant policies and legislation are in full compliance with international standards.

In line with the aforesaid, Georgia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Uzbekistan:

* To consider the accession to the CRPD and its Optional Protocol, as well as to Optional Protocols to CRC on communications procedure, CAT and CEDAW;
* To more vigorously take further steps towards increased press freedom,
* To continue efforts to strengthen national legal framework for human rights.

We wish the Delegation of Uzbekistan a successful UPR.