**Statement of the Delegation of Turkmenistan, to report of Uzbekistan**

**30-th session of the UPR Working Group**

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Thank you, Mr. President,

We welcome the delegation of Uzbekistan to the 30th session of the UPR Working Group.

Turkmenistan welcomes Uzbekistan’s measures to promote human rights and to implement UPR recommendations, which demonstrates the commitment made by the Government of Uzbekistan to the work of the Human Rights Council.

We would like to note that during reporting period the level of cooperation between Uzbekistan and OHCHR, the treaty bodies, United Nations special procedures and international NGOs on questions of human rights and freedoms have risen markedly.

Turkmenistan gives a positive assessment on recent reforms in Uzbekistan aimed at strengthening human rights and freedoms, setting a concrete legal basis for the work of legislative, and developing cooperation and interaction between State bodies and civil society institutions for the defense of human rights.

To conclude Turkmenistan further recommends:

**One.** To continue the efforts to enable tangible progress in combating trafficking in persons;

**Two.** To harmonize gender equality for guaranteeing their equal rights.

We wish successful UPR cycle to the delegation of Uzbekistan.

Thank you, Mr. President.