**UPR of the People’s Republic of China**

**Statement by the Republic of Poland**

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Mr. President,

Poland would like to thank the delegation of the People’s Republic of China for its constructive participation in the UPR process and the presentation of its informative national report.

Poland notes the continued efforts by the People’s Republic of China to improve human rights situation and acknowledge the cooperation with some of the UN human rights special procedures in this context. We commend China’s achievements regarding poverty alleviation and poverty reduction which contributes to the improvement of living standards of people.

At the same time Poland would like to offer the following recommendations to the People’s Republic of China:

* **to ratify International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;**
* **to establish a national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris Principles;**
* **to ensure full implementation of its international human rights obligations regarding freedom of religion and belief;**
* **to positively respond to the invitation addressed by the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief.**