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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and thanksH.E. Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ms. Adela Raz for the presentation of the national report.

We welcome the legislative changes made by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan during the reporting period with the view to implement its international human rights obligations

We commend Afghanistan for ratifying the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture in 2018 and National Action Plan for UNSC Resolution 1325 on Women, peace and security

We also laud the Afghan Government for its commitment to fight corruption and welcome the establishment of the High Development Council for the Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption as well as the adoption of the Anti-Corruption Strategy.

With this, Georgia would like to recommend to Afghanistan:

* To continue measures aimed at effective implementation of the Elimination of Violence against Women Law;
* To take further steps to ensure access to education for all in a safe environment, with particular focus on girls and women, internally displaced persons and persons with disabilities*.*

We wish the delegation of Afghanistan a very successful review.