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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Kingdom of Bhutan and thanks H.E. Dr.Tandi Dorji, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bhutan for the presentation of the national report.

We note positively the legislative changes made by the Government of the Kingdom of Bhutan aimed at better protection of human rights in various fields.

We welcome the establishment of the National Women and Children Welfare Committee in order to promote and protect the rights of women and children.

Georgia commends the Kingdom of Bhutan for the ratification of the UN Convention against Corruption.

We also commend the Kingdom of Bhutan for the completion and submission of the combined 8th and 9th Combined Periodic Report on CEDAW and 3rd to 5th Combined Periodic Report on the CRC and its initial reports on the two Optional Protocols - on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography and on the involvement of children in armed conflict.

Stemming from the aforesaid, Georgia would like to recommend to the Kingdom of Bhutan:

* To continue the efforts with regard to the protection of women’s rights and strengthening combating violence against women and children;
* To continue the efforts in order to prevent and combat trafficking in persons.

With this in mind, we wish the delegation of the Kingdom of Bhutan a very successful review.