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Georgia welcomes the delegation of the Gambia and thanks the Head of Delegation for the presentation of the national report.

Georgia welcomes the imposition of a moratorium on the application of the death penalty.

We note positively the establishment of Human Rights Commission (NHRC) that takes aim at promoting and protecting human rights of all persons in the Gambia; as well as the establishment of Truth, Reconciliation and Reparation Commission mandated to investigate the past human rights violations, including torture and ill treatment.

We appreciate the initiatives undertaken by the Gambia to promote children’s rights, including, amendment of Children’s Act of 2005 aiming, inter alia, to criminalize child marriage and child labor.

Georgia would like to recommend to the Gambia:

• To intensify the efforts to abolish death penalty.

• To expedite the process of adopting the Disability Bill seeking to protect the rights of disabilities and address issues of equality and non-discrimination of disabled persons.

We wish the Delegation of the Gambia a successful UPR.