**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand**

**by Mr. Worawut Samuthkalin, Counsellor**

**at the Review of Kazakhstan**

**during the 34th Session of the Working Group on the UPR**

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Madam Vice President,

Thailand welcomes the delegation of Kazakhstan to the UPR.

Thailand welcomes the Kazakhstan’s efforts to improve human rights laws and policies.

Thailand welcomes President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev’s proposal for a “Hearing Government” and the establishment of the National Council of Public Trust, which we hope will facilitate more constructive dialogue between the Government and the public.

Thailand applauds Kazakhstan’s ratification of the CRPD. We also commend the efforts to combat and deter violence, human trafficking and other crimes, especially those committed against women and children.

Thailand recommends the following:

**First,** **continue to ensure the effective implementation of social policies and programs, including the improvement of social services and facilities for persons with disabilities and persons with mental health conditions.**

**Second,** **develop and adopt a National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights in line with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, in consultation with the private sector, civil society, relevant stakeholders, and the UN Working Group on business and human rights.**

Thailand wishes Kazakhstan every success in the UPR.

Thank you.

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