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**Review of Angola**

***(7 November 2019)***

**Intervention by Ukraine**

**Mr.President,**

Ukraine welcomes Angola’s presentation.

We positively note efforts of Angola to tackle human rights challenges by adopting new legislation and amendments to the existing policies. We welcome Angola’s willingness to fulfil its own pledges and implement recommendations on the protection of the rights of women, children, eradication of early marriages.

At the same time, we encourage Angola to continue with further progress and recommend to:

- ratify the International Convention on Enforced Disappearances; Optional Protocol to the CAT; Optional Protocol to the CRC on a communications procedure;

- ensure effective protection of the rights of the child through developing a state strategy and national legislation;

- adopt legislation and measures to recognize the status of indigenous peoples;

- expedite adoption of the legal framework required for the Office of the Ombudsman to effectively comply with the Paris Principles.

**I thank you.**