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Madame President,

We welcome the distinguished delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic and thank them for the comprehensive National Report they have presented and for their detailed presentation today.

Turkey welcomes the steps taken in order to bring the legislation in line with the Constitution and international treaties in human rights protection including the Human Rights Action Plan for 2019 - 2021 and Action Plan for 2019 within the framework of the ongoing judicial reform.

The introduction of the Business Ombudsman for ensuring transparency of state authorities and creation of the legal and institutional framework to protect rights, freedoms and legitimate interests of business entities in 2018 was a positive move towards combating corruption.

We also take positive note of the progress in the implementation of the two National Action Plans for Achieving Gender Equality as well as the adoption of the Law on State Guarantees of Equal Rights and Equal Opportunities for Men and Women which led to the appointment/selection of first women managers in the system of the Supreme Court, Prosecutor General and the Central Election Commission.

We appreciate the ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by Kyrgyzstan in March 2019 since the country undertook to ensure and promote the full realization of all human rights and fundamental freedoms for all persons with disabilities without any discrimination.

I thank you.