36th session of Working Group on Universal Periodic Review

Review of Jamaica

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Intervention by Ukraine

Madame President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Jamaica and the country’s adherence to the Review process.

We positively note the adoption and implementation of the National Development Plan “Vision-2030”, which provides a strategic roadmap to ensure broad-based improvement in the quality of life of all Jamaicans towards a secure and prosperous future.

Ukraine recommends to Jamaica to:

- ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR aiming at abolition of death penalty and at this stage to ensure that the death-row regime does not amount to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

- promptly accede to the International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and its Optional Protocol, and incorporate them into its national law;

- accelerate the process of establishing a national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris Principles;

- provide a legislative and regulatory framework to protect women from gender based violence;

- extend a standing invitation to all HRC special procedures and closely cooperate with them.

We wish Jamaica a successful review.

Thank you.