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Review of Malawi

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Intervention by Ukraine

Madam President,

Ukraine thanks Malawi for the presentation of its National report.

We positively note the attention of the Malawian authorities to tackling human rights challenges by adopting new legislation and the amendments to the existing policies, as well as the willingness to fulfil its own pledges and to implement recommendations on the protection of the rights of women and children.

We recommend to:

* ratify the OP to the CAT; the OP to the CRPD; the OP to the CRC on a communications procedure; Second OP to ICCPR; the OP to the CEDAW;
* continue efforts to eradicate harmful practices, in particular FGM, forced and early marriage, polygamy and others;
* take further measures to strengthen the national health system;
* ensure accountability for human rights violations, as well as access to justice and full reparation for victims;
* undertake further measures to protect vulnerable groups of population, in particular women, persons with disabilities and albinism, children.

Thank you.