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Georgia welcomes the Delegation of the Republic of Marshall Islands and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

We commend the government for the ratification of a number of key human rights instruments and adoption of Acts on gender equality, domestic violence, children, disabled persons and trafficking in persons.

We also commend Republic of Marshall Islands for the submission of its periodic reports to the treaty bodies.

We note the importance of establishment of National Human Rights Committee, as a step towards establishing of the human rights mechanism compliant with Paris Principles.

Herewith, Georgia would like to recommend to the Republic of Marshall Islands:

* To continue finalizing domestic procedures for the ratification of 1st and 2nd Optional Protocols of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
* To intensify its efforts to fight against human trafficking through robust domestic actions and accession to relevant international legal instruments.

With this in mind, we wish the delegation of the Republic of Marshall Islands a very successful review.