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Statement by Slovakia

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Madam President,

Slovakia welcomes the delegation of the United States to this UPR session and thanks it for the presentation of its national report.

We praise the United States for its efforts to address human rights related issues nationally, through the improvement of its human rights legislative framework, and worldwide.

Slovakia wishes to offer the following recommendations to the US:

1. Impose a moratorium on executions of death sentences at the federal and state level and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty,
2. Take effective measures to review federal, states and local policies with a view to prevent racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, and related intolerance,
3. Ratify the CRC and its Optional Protocol on a communications procedure,
4. Accelerate ratification of the CEDAW.

We wish the United States successful implementation of recommendations.

I thank you Madam President.