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Thank you Mr President,

Mr President,

The Maldives welcomes the Government of Turkmenistan's on-going commitment to engage positively with the Universal Periodic Review Process.

The Maldives appreciates Turkmenistan's significant progress in fulfilling its commitments to implement UPR recommendations. We have noted with appreciation that the country has taken some noteworthy measures regarding the protection of the rights of women and children and combating trafficking of women and children in line with international obligations, among other issues.

The UPR represents an excellent opportunity for states to make progress on a number of important issues and the Maldives applauds Turkmenistan for making full use of this opportunity.

I thank you.