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Statement
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Mr. Vice-President,

Azerbaijan welcomes the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children, and thanks her for the report dedicated to main gaps in relation to actions aimed at preventing and combating trafficking in persons.

Azerbaijan, strengthens its partnership with international institutions, in particular with UNHCR, IOM, ILO and other relevant international, regional and local stakeholders in its fight against human trafficking.

Madam Special Rapporteur,

We agree that the assistance and support measures aiming to achieve full social inclusion of survivors of human trafficking, should also respect the rights of trafficked persons and address their needs.

In this regard, the Government of Azerbaijan continues the implementation of its relevant legislation and policy in the field of social rehabilitation of the victims of human trafficking with a view to ensure their safe reintegration into the society. The measures carried out by the Government in this respect mainly include provision of legal and psychological assistance of victims, support for their integration into labour market, while considering their specific needs, in particular relating to age and gender.

A special unit – the General Department on Combatting Human Trafficking under the Ministry of Internal Affairs is establishhed in order to better consolidate the efforts in the fight against trafficking.

To conclude, we would like to stress that Azerbaijan remains committed to its human rights obligations, including in the field of prevention of and fight against human trafficking, and

will continue its work with all relevant organizations as well as special mandate holders to this end.

I thank you.