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Mr. Chair,

Azerbaijan welcomes the delegation of Romania and thanks it for its national report and presentation today.

Azerbaijan recognizes strong commitment of Romania to the Universal Periodic Review Process and commends major progress it has achieved in addressing the most of the recommendations received during the second UPR cycle.

Azerbaijan also welcomes number of measures undertaken by the Government of Romania aimed at increasing quality, efficiency and accountability of justice system. The Strategy for the Development of the Judiciary for 2015-2020 should be underlined as an important milestone document in this direction.

Azerbaijan is also pleased to recognize constant efforts of Romanian Government to prevent and combat corruption through implementation of the National Anticorruption Strategy (NSA) 2016-2020. We take note with appreciation that the strategy foresees increasing transparency in private and public sector, including in public institutions.

Azerbaijan recommends Romania to continue its efforts on further improving efficiency and transparency in public service of the country.

In conclusion, we wish the delegation of Romania a very successful review.