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UPR of Turkmenistan**

**Statement**

**delivered by Mr. Yalchin Rafiyev, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of  
the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other International  
Organizations in Geneva**

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Thank you, Mr. President,

Azerbaijan warmly welcomes the delegation of Turkmenistan at the UPR Working Group and thanks the delegation for the presented report.

Azerbaijan is pleased to see the significant progress achieved by Turkmenistan in the promotion and protection of human rights since its last UPR consideration. We appreciate Turkmenistan's solid commitment to the UPR process, as well as its active engagement with the human rights treaty bodies.

We also acknowledge with appreciation the measures undertaken by the Government of Turkmenistan in promoting gender equality in public administration.

Azerbaijan would like to offer the following recommendations for Turkmenistan:

1. To carry on ratifying international human rights treaties;
2. To continue bringing national human rights legislation in line with international human rights standards;
3. To maintain economic development dynamics with a view to improve the well-being of population.

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

I thank you, Mr. President.