



Statement by
the Republic of Slovenia
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Mr President,

Slovenia would like to thank the delegation of Tuvalu for the national report, its presentation today and their commitment to the UPR process.

Slovenia welcomes the progress that the Government of Tuvalu has made in relation to the human rights commitments and obligations, as well as in ensuring that human rights standards are included in national legislation. We would like to welcome the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in 2013.

As indicated in the national report, Tuvalu has ratified two international human rights treaties, namely the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). Therefore we would like to **recommend** the Government to speed up the efforts to ratify other core human rights treaties, particularly the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).

Considering the visit of the UN Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation in 2012, we welcome the efforts Tuvalu has made in adoption of a national water strategy and plan of action covering the entire population, in particular those who have a lower income.

Thank you.