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Dear Human Beings, Madame Vice-President, Excellency's, Dear delegation of the Dominican Republic, Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear webcasters Good afternoon,

First, despite what has been said, we congratulate the Dominican Republic for its announced efforts to address the birth registration issue.

Then we note with some regret that though the Dominican Republic had committed itself to do the ratification of the Convention on the prevention and the punishment of the crime of genocide, no recommendation to this end has been made to the Dominican Republic.

This is moreover worrisome because the Dominican Republic has declined the ratification of other human rights treaties, including the convention on enforced disappearances stating that it was preparing the means needed to do these do these ratifications.

Our deep and sincere wishes are to see these ratifications will occur before the next passage of the Dominican Republic in the UPR process.

Thank you for your efforts. Thank you Madame Vice-President.