

Statement by Permanent Mission of The Bahamas to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva at the 49th Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group Presentation of UPR Report by Kyrgyzstan 28 April 2025

Thank you [Mr./Madame] [Vice] President,

The Bahamas commends Kyrgyzstan for its continued commitment to strengthening human rights and recognises the significant efforts made since its last review, including the adoption of the new Constitution that firmly establishes human rights as absolute and inalienable.

We acknowledge the commendable steps taken by Kyrgyzstan, notably the implementation of the Human Rights Action Plan for 2022–2024, initiatives aimed at combating torture through strengthened investigative procedures and preventive measures, and the adoption of the National Strategy for Gender Equality until 2030, all reflecting Kyrgyzstan's dedication to promoting equality and human dignity.

In a constructive spirit, we recommend that Kyrgyzstan:

- 1. Strengthen measures to combat domestic and gender-based violence by enhancing support services for victims and ensuring comprehensive judicial training.
- 2. Expand initiatives under the State "Accessible Country" Programme, to further ensure accessibility and inclusivity for persons with disabilities across all public infrastructure.
- Enhance environmental protection and climate resilience initiatives by promoting renewable energy and sustainable waste management under the Green Economy Programme.

We wish Kyrgyzstan continued success in this UPR process.

I thank you.