

Statements made by State under review at the HRC under item 6 after the adoption of the UPR report

Country: Uruguay (First Cycle, 2009)

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"When engaged in the UPR on Uruguay in May 2009, my country expressed that it was totally committed to this mechanism and stressed it that it was prepared cooperate with it, frankly avoiding any complacent analysis of the real situation in the country, and paying particular attention to the recommendations and observations that derived from the review. My country, on that occasion, accepted all of the 88 recommendations put forward. So as to follow up on the recommendations of the various treaty bodies, and the special procedures of the Human Rights Council, and the UPR itself, in 2011 Uruguay established an interministerial commission. It is in that framework that Uruguay is now working to follow-up the recommendations from its 1st UPR, and it hopes in June of this year to be presenting a mid-term report on the status of implementation of these recommendations, which will be submitted when appropriate to the Office of the High Commissioner, as well as the other stakeholders of civil society. Lastly, our country reaffirms its firm commitment to the next UPR of Uruguay which should be held in 2014. Uruguay hopes to be able to achieve more in the field of human rights and additional levels of commitment in this area between now and then".