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of

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Item 1: Organizational and Procedural matters – Decision and Conclusions on Item 2: GC on the res Promoting reconciliation, accountability and human rights in Sri Lanka

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Thank you Mr. President.

The Republic of Macedonia as a member of the Core Group is pleased that process of negotiations on this resolution has been conducted in manner that uphold and respect the main principles of the work of the HRC, i.e. through a cooperative dialogue and cooperation of the Government of Sri Lanka.

The resolution is designed as follow up of the Resolution 25/1 last year and on the basis of the findings of the Report of the HCHR and OISL.

It is important to reiterate that the resolution welcomes the initial steps taken by the Government of Sri Lanka to advance respect of human rights and to strengthen the processes of accountability and reconciliation, building new institutions, as well as fighting against corruption and abuses of power in the past.

The text also addresses concerns expressed in the Report of the HCHR and OISL and endorses the positive engagement of the Government of Sri Lanka since January 2015 in their aims to accelerate the investigations and seeking justice regarding the violations of Human Rights with appropriate forms of international support and also formulates the sequences for the next reports on the HRC.

As it was mentioned on many occasions on this Session, the resolution supports the new Government commitments in building new Sri Lanka for the benefit and well being of all Sri Lankans.

At this stage, we would like to stress the importance of fruitful cooperation with all members and observers of the HRC as well as the CSOs and we would to thank them for their contributions in preparing the text of the Resolution for promoting reconciliation, accountability and human rights in Sri Lanka. The Republic of Macedonia is also grateful for the constructive engagement of the Sri Lankan Government.

For all these reasons, we call all members of the HRC to support the adoption of resolution on Sri Lanka by consensus.

Thank you Mr. President.

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