

To: *UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights*

National Youth Council of Moldova (CNTM) was registered as a Public Association on 18th of February 1999 and is an umbrella structure of 46 youth organizations, and its mission is to empower young people to participate actively in the society, promote the interests of the young people from Moldova in its relations with government and international institutions, to develop youth associative structures through the implementation of program activities, trainings, information, advocacy and consulting services.

At the national level, CNTM is member of the NGO Council, National Participatory Council, the Anti-Discrimination Coalition, the Coalition for Free and Fair Elections, as well as the Coalition for Volunteering Promotion. At the international level, it is a full-member of the European Youth Forum (YFJ), member of the Eastern European Youth Cooperation (EEYC), Alcohol Youth Policy Network (APYN). CNTM is also the coordinator of Working Group 4 "Contacts between people" of Civil Society Forum from Eastern Partnership Countries.

CNTM's core directives of intervention are mentioned in the Organizational Strategy 2014-2018, which establish four organizational priorities:

- (I) Youth rights and social inclusion;
- (II) Youth policies;
- (III) Developing institutional capacity of initiatives and youth organisations;
- (IV) Youth education.

At the regional level CNTM was the leading youth organization in promoting youth policies in the EaP region, through the youth side event of the EaP Civil Society Forum, WG IV Contact Between people, but also in the Black Sea region. At the moment, CNTM has one board member in European Youth Forum.

Also, CNTM for the first time had ownership in assuring well communication in the Eastern European and Caucasus Region and contributed for creating of common voice and leadership of the region in relation with European youth policies.

Hereby, National Youth Council of Moldova (CNTM) with European Youth Forum (YFJ) and Student Alliance of Moldova (ASM) is presenting the Joint National Report of Universal Periodic Review. The overall goal of report is to promote youth rights through improving public policy content and having developed a series of measures aimed at improving youth status.

Sincerely,

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