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While touching upon the essence and approaches the Global Compact on Migration has, let me underline two main factors that made Georgia able to join the compact:

First of all, number of measures envisaged by the GCM's cooperative framework and its 23 objectives, have already been put in place or implemented by Georgia, aiming at improving the migration management in accordance with the contemporary environment. The implementation of those measures is steadily underway with the assistance of the EU, UN and other partner organizations and states.

Last but not least, the non-legally binding nature of the Compact provides with the strong basis to review the text by considering both – the national interests of our country and the modern challenges we all face globally.

Thank you for your attention.