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Universal Periodic Review of Argentina

Madam President,

Slovenia welcomes the distinguished delegation of Argentina and thanks for the national report.

We welcome the fact, that Argentina completed the ratification of all major international human rights treaties, including the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and signed the Third Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child. We further welcome the standing invitation to the special procedures mandate holders.

We appreciate the presentation of a mid-term report on implementation of UPR recommendations in September 2010. Argentina has made an important progress in implementing a number of recommendations from the first cycle of the UPR. In particular we appreciate that the gender perspective has been included in the follow-up to the UPR process.

We noted that Argentina made less progress with regard to the recommendation on prison conditions. We encourage Argentina to make further efforts to assure that the juvenile justice system will be compatible with the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

We would like to offer 2 recommendations to Argentina:

- First, to improve prison conditions and adopt concrete measures to eliminate overcrowding in compliance with international standards; and
- Second, to strengthen the policies and adopt measures for guaranteeing women the access to reproductive health products and services.

Thank you.