

**Statement of the Republic of Latvia
15th session of the UPR
Review of Bahamas**

Mr. President,

Latvia would like to thank the delegation of Bahamas for the comprehensive national report, its presentation today and their constructive engagement in the UPR process.

Latvia would like also to touch upon the issue of standing invitations to the special procedures of the Human Rights Council. While no requests have been made by special procedure mandate holders to visit Bahamas, Latvia **recommends** to Bahamas to consider extending a standing invitation to all the special procedures mandate holders of the Human Rights Council.

Latvia **also recommends** to Bahamas to ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and to fully align its legislation with all the obligations under the Rome Statute, including incorporating the Rome Statute definition of crimes and general principles, as well as adopting provisions enabling cooperation with the Court.

Thank you, Mr. President.