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**Statement by Mr. Vlad Chirinciuc**  
**Deputy Permanent Representative**  
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Thank you Mr. President.

Mr. President,

First of all I would like to warmly welcome the delegation of Germany to the UPR Working Group and to thank the head of the delegation, for his comprehensive presentation of the national report.

We applaud Germany for its constructive engagement with the UPR process which is a good opportunity to acquire knowledge, via best practices dialogue.

The Republic of Moldova acknowledges the steps of German's Government to change the stereotypical attitudes about the roles of women and men in society.

We take note of measures undertaken by the Government of Germany to accomplish the equality between women and men, including the adoption of the General Equal Treatment Act.

The Republic of Moldova notes the incessant efforts undertaken by Germany in order to prevent and eliminate domestic violence against women.

The Republic of Moldova makes the following recommendations:

- 1. Further eliminate stereotypical attitudes about the roles and responsibilities of women and men.*
- 2. Establish concrete goals to accelerate the achievement of substantive equality between women and men and ensure effective elimination of discrimination against women.*
- 3. Criminalize domestic violence as a distinct criminal offence and ensure the effective implementation of the 2007 action plan on violence.*

We wish Germany success in the implementation of the recommendations.

I thank you.