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UPR of GERMANY

Mr. President,

Slovenia thanks the distinguished delegation of Germany for the answer to our advance question, and welcomes the numerous positive developments outlined in the report, including several signatures and ratifications of international human rights instruments. We further welcome the withdrawal of Germany's reservations to CRC and the strengthened attention given to human rights education.

Given the reportedly persistent gender pay gap between men and women in Germany, we commend the commitment of the Government to create and guarantee fair income prospects for men and women. Nevertheless, the traditional mindset of choice between family and career for women remains strong. In this context we would like to **recommend** to Germany to increase public awareness about equal career opportunities and undertake measures to increase the availability of childcare facilities that will enable women to fully participate in the labour market.

Thank you.