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Italian intervention

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Thank you, Mr. President.

We welcome the distinguished delegation of Chile and we appreciate the achievements in the field of human rights detailed in the national report.

Italy particularly welcomes the adoption of Law 20.507 on trafficking in human beings as a key instrument in fighting the phenomenon, pursuant to the “Palermo Protocol”. In this regard, Italy **recommends** that Chile takes measures to give adequate enforcement to law 20.507, such as developing a standard operating procedure to identify victims of trafficking.

Italy also welcomes Chile’s engagement to counter gender and domestic violence, in particular through the amendments to the Penal Code contained in Law 20.480. Italy **recommends** that the Chilean authorities enhance the legislation on gender and domestic violence by criminalising sexual harassment in all its forms and by adopting a specific definition of domestic violence as a criminal offence, covering both physical and psychological violence.

While appreciating the information that Chilean Courts consider it not applicable to crimes involving human rights, Italy **recommends** to abrogate Amnesty Decree-Law 2.191.

To conclude, noting that Chile doesn’t have a legislation which recognises the legal consequences of the change of sex, Italy would like to know if any measure in this field has been envisaged.

I thank you, Mr. President

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