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Mr. President,

I would like to start by extending a warm welcome to the delegation of Chile and thank them for the presentation of their comprehensive report.

Croatia welcomes the steps taken by the Government regarding the implementation of the recommendations from the first UPR cycle, especially those aimed at strengthening anti-discrimination legislation. The promulgation of the Act No. 20480, which included the crime of "femicide" as well as the Act No. 20609, which contains measures against discrimination on grounds, among others, of sexual orientation and gender identity are noteworthy examples of the Government's determination for the promotion and protection of the rights of most vulnerable groups, including women, children and the LGBTI persons.

Croatia welcomes the publication of the Ministry of Health guidelines on the treatment of transgender persons in the Public Health System.

We have two questions:

- Could your delegation share with us additional information regarding the national health care system approach to transgender persons as well as the feedback from the civil society on that matter?
- We are interested in learning more about the experience you have gathered in regard to the training of police in human rights and in what way it has contributed to the promotion of the indigenous peoples' rights?

I would once again like to commend Chile for their commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights and wish them a successful review session.

Thank you.