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STATEMENT

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Norway commends Chile for the important advances made since 2009 in order to strengthen the institutional and legislative national human rights framework, including the establishment of a national human rights institute. Norway looks forward to the establishment of the planned Office of the Under-Secretary for Human Rights and the adoption of a national human rights plan.

The adoption of a Law on Measures against Discrimination is equally important. Norway encourages Chile to further strengthen the institutional framework and implement preventive measures in order to address discrimination efficiently.

Norway is concerned about reports on cases of torture and disproportionate use of police violence, especially against minors and members of indigenous peoples during social protest, including gender-based and sexual abuse. Norway recommends that Chile further strengthen accountability for human rights violations by the police and implement a national prevention mechanism against torture.

Norway recommends that Chile gives urgent attention to the full implementation of ILO convention 169, especially with regard to prior consultation on legislative and administrative measures that may affect indigenous communities.

Norway recommends that Chile takes steps to strengthen and protect women's sexual and reproductive rights in line with CEDAWs recommendations, review national legislation on abortion and enforce national legislation with regard to access to birth control.