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**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
TO THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, GENEVA**

STATEMENT BY TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO - UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF ~~BELIZE~~ CHILE  
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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the Delegation of Chile headed by the Minister of <sup>Social Development</sup> Justice and wishes to express appreciation for the National Report submitted to the Working Group.

We also welcome the collaborative spirit that informed the development of the Report and note the steps taken by the Government of Chile since its last UPR to enhance its framework for human rights.

Among these are:

- The ratification of the Rome Statute of the ICC in 2009;
- The establishment of a National Human Rights Institution (INDH) in December 2009;
- The entry into force of Act No.20.609 in July 2012 that introduces measures to address discrimination;
- The establishment of a Human Rights Department of the *Carabineros de Chile*;
- Efforts undertaken with respect to engendering equality of women, including incentives to promote their political participation and measures to address gender violence.

Mr. President, my delegation recommends that the Government of Chile consider the following:

1. Continuing the implementation of policies addressing issues peculiar to indigenous peoples, particularly women and children;
2. Enhancing efforts to protect the rights of persons with disabilities, thereby continuing progress already achieved in this area;
3. Strengthening legal mechanisms to combat gender violence including the dedication of the requisite resources.

Thank you Mr. President and my best wishes to the Delegation of Chile for their review.