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Thank you Mr. President,

We would like to welcome _____ and his/her delegation and thank the Government of Chile for this detailed national report and its successful presentation.

We commend the Chilean Government's continuous cooperation with civil society in preparation of its national report.

In terms of implementation of the human rights standards, we see that Chile has made a landmark institutional leap in 2009, with the establishment of the National Human Rights Institution. We commend the efforts to take this forward, namely the attempts to establish the Office of the Under-Secretary for Human Rights. We **recommend** the Chilean Government to expedite its efforts on enacting the legal aspect of this institution and to prepare their National Human Rights Plan as a next step.

We would like to commend Chile for its steps taken in the field of gender equality. In this respect, putting women under a protected category with the anti-discrimination law is an important benchmark for the protection of women's rights. Moreover, successful implementation of the Equal Opportunities Plan will bring added value to this law in practice. In this respect, we commend Chile in its efforts to conclude the bill concerning the marital property regime, which has been before the parliament since 2011.

Following our remarks about the situation of the rights of women, we would like to pose one question to the Chilean delegation:

- Considering CEDAW's concern, regarding low level of participation of women to the labor market, what measures are taken in order to increase women's participation to the workforce?

I thank you, Mr. President.