



**Universal Periodic Review of the Republic of Chile, 28 January 2014  
Intervention by the delegation of Estonia**

Estonia warmly welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Chile to its second UPR. We thank Chile for the preparation of its national report and today's presentation.

Estonia notes with appreciation that Chile has become a party to the core human rights treaties and highlights Chile's good cooperation with the treaty bodies and special procedures.

Estonia welcomes the Government's efforts regarding women's rights, including incentives to raise women's participation in public and political life. At the same time we are concerned about the fact that that abortion remains to be criminalized, and hope for the establishment of appropriate exceptions to this prohibition. We further encourage the Government of Chile to continue its diverse efforts to ensure full enjoyment of the rights of the child and indigenous peoples.

Estonia notes Chile's efforts in enhancing freedom of expression and media, including being the first country to incorporate the network neutrality principle into its legislation in 2010. Nevertheless, more can be done to increase the protection of journalists and media workers.

Estonia further wishes to recognise the ratification by Chile of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Estonia would like to make **the following recommendations** to the Government of the **Republic of Chile**:

- 1) to take steps to eradicate female illiteracy among rural and indigenous women and to implement equal education opportunities for rural and indigenous girls;
- 2) to establish the institution of a children's ombudsman;
- 3) to ratify the Kampala Amendments to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court;

We would like to wish the delegation of the Republic of Chile a successful review meeting.

Thank you!