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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 URUGUAY
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Thank you Mr. President.

Trinidad and Tobago welcomes the Delegation of Uruguay headed by ~~the~~ *His Excellencia*
~~Honourable~~ *Honorable* ~~Guerrero~~ *Guerrero* and wishes to express appreciation for the comprehensive National
Report submitted to the Working Group.

Mr. President, despite the global economic crisis in 2008, my delegation will like to pay tribute to Uruguay for maintaining a sustained level of economic growth and reducing poverty up to the time of this review. We encourage Uruguay to continue all its efforts to eradicate poverty and hunger especially as we approach the target date for the achievement of the UN Millennium Development Goals (2015).

Mr. President, my delegation is pleased to note that Uruguay has taken stringent measures geared towards the reduction of domestic violence. Some of these measures include ankle tags to monitor perpetrators, temporary housing for victims and the establishment of four (4) special courts.

My delegation will also like to commend Uruguay for the implementation of the relevant Policy and legislative framework which primary aim is to combat the trafficking of children and persons with disabilities.

My delegation recommends the following:

1. That Uruguay continues to implement the necessary socio-economic policies to reduce poverty especially among women and children.

2. That Uruguay considers the establishment of a central agency to address human trafficking.

I thank you Mr. President.