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Mr. President,

Slovenia would like to thank the delegation of Costa Rica for their presentation today.

We welcome Costa Rica's active cooperation with international human rights bodies and its notable contribution to the promotion of human rights as a Member of the Human Rights Council.

We commend Costa Rica for its good human rights record and the establishment of the Inter-Institutional Commission on Follow-Up to and Compliance with International Human Rights Obligations.

Slovenia also notes with appreciation Costa Rica's support for the international initiatives for the promotion of the LGBTI rights.

We would like to recommend to the Government of Costa Rica:

- 1. to continue with its efforts to effectively implement the law on criminal sanctions for violence against women and to pay special attention to ensuring coordination among institutions providing assistance and support to victims;
- 2. to provide legal assistance and support to victims of domestic violence, including outside of the metropolitan area;
- 3. to conduct public awareness policies and programs, in cooperation with the civil society, to change cultural paradigms and attitudes in order to encourage and promote respect for LGBTIs and to fight against prejudice and discrimination against LGBTIs.

Thank you.