

**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand**  
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Mr. President,

Thailand commends the efforts made by Bolivia since its first review, particularly to enhance children's access to education, to increase women's representation in politics, and to develop infrastructure in the rural areas where indigenous people predominate.

Thailand also welcomes Bolivian efforts to improve its legal frameworks to address violence, harassment and discrimination against women. We look forward to the effective implementation of the recently enacted laws and established institutions to protect the rights of women and girls. We recommend Bolivia to closely follow guidelines in the relevant UNGA resolutions<sup>1</sup> in its endeavour to prevent and combat violence against women and children.

In order to prevent the use of child labour in certain domestic industries, Thailand recommends that Bolivia put in place measures that are in line with the international standards, especially the ILO Conventions on minimum age for admission to employment and work and on the worst forms of child labour.

We also encourage the Government of Bolivia to continue investing more in education at all levels and to integrate such human rights issues as gender equality and rights of the child in school curriculums.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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<sup>1</sup> For example, Resolutions of the General Assembly No. A/RES/65/229 on United Nations Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners and Non-custodial Measures for Women Offenders (the Bangkok Rules); No. A/RES/65/228 on Strengthening crime prevention and criminal justice responses to violence against women; No. A/RES/68/191 on Taking action against gender-related killing of women and girls (Femicide); No. A/RES/68/189 on Model strategies and practical measures on the elimination of violence against children in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice; and the proposed draft UNGA69 resolution entitled the UN Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence against Children in the field of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.