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Thank you, Mr President.

Latvia warmly welcomes the delegation of Iraq to their second UPR cycle.

We would like to commend the steps taken by Government of Iraq in establishing a National High Commission for Human Rights and recommend to continue its efforts to promote and protect human rights within country.

We further would like to recommend the Government of Iraq:

- To review of the Anti-terrorism Law Number 13, ensuring its compliance with international human rights law;
- Consider a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to abolishing it;
- To further strengthen comprehensive measures addressing all forms of violence against women and girls;
- To consider increasing the minimal age of marriage.

My delegation wishes the Government of Iraq success in their future work.

Thank you, Mr. President.