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Italian intervention

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Thank you, Mister President.

L'Italia è lieta di dare un caloroso benvenuto alla delegazione di San Marino guidata dal Ministro degli Affari Esteri, Paquale Valentini.

We commend San Marino for its commitment to cooperate with international mechanisms on human rights and praise it for extending to all special procedures a standing invitation. Italy takes note of the obstacles that San Marino encounters in fulfilling its reporting obligations due to time and resource constraints. We thank San Marino for the information provided today on the measure taken to end the current backlog. In this respect, Italy encourages San Marino to consider possible best practises of small countries and encourages it to speed-up the drafting of the periodic report under the ICCRP.

Italy welcomes the legislative and administrative measures adopted by San Marino in recent years to prevent and fight violence against women. Italy appreciates the decision to set up a technical-institutional panel responsible for coordinating the different institutions working in this area. Could San Marino provide more details on the functioning of this panel, its lessons learnt and best practices since its creation in 2012?

Noting that San Marino does not have a dedicated procedure for processing asylum applications and adjudicating asylum cases, and that special permits can be granted for humanitarian needs, Italy would like to ask whether San Marino considers establishing a formal procedure for processing asylum requests. Furthermore, Italy would like to **recommend** San Marino to ratify the 1951 Geneva Convention on the Status of Refugees and its 1967 protocol.

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da successo. I thank you