

**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand**  
**Ms. Benjaporn Niyomnaitham, Second secretary**  
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Mr. President,

Thailand commends the progress made by Armenia since its first review, particularly, the adoption of new legislation and implementing programmes that ensure equal opportunities for women and men as well as combat human trafficking.

However, domestic violence against women and children remains our concern, Thailand recommends Armenia to take concrete measures to combat violence against women and children as well as expedite the adoption of the draft law on domestic violence that would allow victims to file complaint and seek protection.

We welcome the adoption of the law on employment with the quota prescribed for the persons with disabilities. Thailand recommends Armenia to continue its efforts in promoting the rights of persons with disabilities by, *inter alia*, effectively implementing its law on employment, adopting the law on protection of the rights of persons with disabilities and their social inclusion in line with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and ensuring inclusive education for children with special needs.

Finally, Thailand encourages Armenia to invest further in the improvement of educational system and guarantee equal access to education.

I thank you, Mr. President.