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Statement of the Republic of Latvia

23rd session of the UPR

Review of Sultanate of Oman

Mr. President,

Latvia welcomes the delegation of Sultanate of Oman to the second cycle of the UPR and thanks it for the national report. We acknowledge steps taken by Oman to implement recommendations of the first review. Consistent with the recommendations accepted by the country during its first review to take additional measures to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women, we encourage Oman to strengthen its efforts to eliminate discrimination of women in law and practice, in particular with regards to divorce, inheritance, child custody and legal guardianship of children.

In addition we would like to make following **recommendations**:

- Ratify and fully align its national legislation with the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court;
- Strengthen cooperation with the special procedures of the Human Rights Council by extending a standing invitation to all the special procedures mandates holders.

Thank you Mr. President!