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## Statement of the Republic of Korea

Thank you, Mr. President.

The Republic of Korea warmly welcomes the delegation of Estonia and appreciates its comprehensive presentation.

We acknowledge the Estonian Government's sincere commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights as well as its continued progress since its first UPR. In particular, we welcome the ratification of the CRPD, the establishment of the position of Ombudsman for Children and the Gender Equality Council, as well as the enactment of the new Child Protection Act in 2014.

In the hope that Estonia will continue to build upon these achievements, my delegation would like to make the following three recommendations;

- 1. To consider establishing a national human rights institution (NHRI) in compliance with the Paris Principles.
- 2. To consider ratifying the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education.
- 3. To step up efforts to tackle the socio-economic gap and discrimination on the basis of ethnic origin, race or language, especially with regard to education and employment.

Thank you, Mr. President. /End/