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Thank you, Mr. President.

We warmly welcome the distinguished delegation of Hungary and thank them for their national report and presentation.

Italy welcomes the measures taken by Hungary in order to implement the recommendations accepted during the first cycle of the UPR.

Welcoming the creation of the Subcommittee on Women's Dignity as an important step in combating violence against women, Italy also **recommends** to ratify the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence. **We also recommend** Hungary to ratify the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

We fully understand the challenges of the current crisis of refugees and migrants. In order to ensure that the human rights of refugees and migrants are always fully respected, and in order to deal with the crisis in the most effective way, Italy **recommends** to review legislation on the rights of migrants and asylum seekers in accordance with Hungary's obligations under international and European Law and to better apply existing internal rules, namely those related to the handling of unaccompanied children.

We also **recommend** Hungary to intensify efforts to combat all forms of discrimination and to ensure that hate crimes motivated by racism, xenophobia or other forms of discrimination are effectively investigated and perpetrators are brought to justice.

Mr. President, let me conclude by wishing Hungary every success in its UPR.

Thank you.