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**Statement of the Republic of Korea**

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

We observe that the promotion and protection of human rights in Ireland is fully ensured both in institutional and practical terms, and acknowledge its leading role and significant contribution for the advancement of human rights at the national, regional and international levels.

In particular, we highly commend the enhancement of women's political participation by establishing quotas for female candidates in the general election this year, as well as the establishment of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission as an independent statutory body.

Considering that there remains room for improvement, however, we would like to offer the following two recommendations:

1. Step up its efforts to ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
2. Consider revising its relevant legislation on abortion in line with international human rights standards on sexual and reproductive health and rights.

Thank you, Mr. President. /End/