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Review of the Ecuador

Statement by Armenia

 Armenia welcomes the delegation of Ecuador and appreciates its engagement in the Universal Periodic Review process.

Armenia welcomes the efforts of Ecuador to eradicate statelessness by becoming a party of the Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness.

Armenia welcomes the fact that the percentage of children aged between 0 and 5 years recorded in the civil register had reached 94% in Ecuador.

Armenia welcomes Ecuador for taking into account the negative effects of child marriage and commends the steps undertaken to adopt and implement legislation setting the minimum age of marriage at 18 years.

We encourage Ecuador to combat deep-rooted gender stereotypes and to take further measures to address the cases of sexual violence against girls in the education system. We also encourage Ecuador to update national plan to combat trafficking, sexual and labour exploitation.

**We recommend**:

1. To ratify the Convention on the Non-Applicability of Statutory Limitations to War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity and,
2. To draw up and implement comprehensive law on trafficking in persons.

 We wish the delegation of Ecuador a successful review meeting.

 I thank You.