Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Lithuania welcomes the delegation of Colombia and it thanks for its National Report.

Lithuania commends the progress made by Colombia since the last UPR cycle. In particular, the significant progress made in establishing a transitional justice mechanism and the publication of the final report of the Truth Commission. We also commend measures for protection of women and girls.

Lithuania would like to make the following recommendations:

- One, to continue active efforts combating all forms of violence, primarily domestic and gender-based violence;

- Two, to implement practical measures ensuring the safety of journalists and other media workers, both physically and in the digital space.

- Three, consider conducting an objective investigation into the killings of human rights defenders and social activists and all allegations on the possible use of force in the context of social protests.

We wish Colombia every success in the current UPR.

I thank you.