**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand**

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Mr. President,

Thailand commends Colombia for the adoption of the National Human Rights Strategy and its efforts to comprehensively implement the Final Peace Agreement and to build “Total Peace”. We congratulate Colombia for the adoption of a national action plan on business and human rights (BHR) with a second iteration on its way, and stand ready to work with Colombia in promoting BHR.

In the spirit of constructive cooperation, Thailand recommends that Colombia:

1. Strengthen the work of the intersectoral commission for preventing the recruitment and exploitation of, and sexual violence against, children and adolescents by illegal armed groups and organized criminal groups, as well as the work of the National Reintegration Council; and

2. Effectively implement the National Strategy to Combat Trafficking in Persons by enhancing legislative, policy and institutional measures in this regard, and strengthen preventive measures and the provision of protection and assistance to all trafficking victims.

We wish Colombia a successful review.

I thank you.

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