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**REVIEW OF GERMANY**

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Thank you, Mr. Chair.

The Philippines warmly welcomes the esteemed delegation of Germany.

While recognizing the significant steps taken by Germany during the review period to uphold equality and the rights and dignity of all persons, we express concern with the rising incidents of racism, right-wing extremism, violent hate crimes, and other related acts of intolerance. We thus recommend that Germany:

1. Enhance mandatory and specialized training for law enforcement officers, prosecutors and judges on the prevention of racial discrimination and racial profiling;
2. Step up efforts to address longstanding systemic racism.

We likewise appreciate Germany’s acknowledgment of the link between human rights and climate change and its active role in multilateral climate discussions. In this light, the Philippines recommends that Germany further enhance climate action by:

* Adopting and implementing emission targets in line with UNFCCC obligations; and
* Increasing financing for mitigation, adaptation and loss and damage for developing countries, in accordance with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.

In closing, the Philippines wishes Germany all success in this review. Thank you. **END**