**Russia**

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**Statement by Iceland (20 of 119)**

Mr. President,

Iceland condemns Russia’s illegal war of aggression against Ukraine and notes that external aggression leads to internal repression and vice-versa.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Respect and ensure respect for international humanitarian law and international human rights law as a warring party.
2. Repeal the Foreign Agents Law and the Undesirable Organizations Law.
3. Guarantee the right to freedom of opinion and expression, and freedom of peaceful assembly and association for all, including anti-war-protestors.
4. Criminalize domestic violence and marital rape.
5. Repeal the **LGBT propaganda law** and ensure the protection of LGBTQIpus persons from discrimination, violence and hate crimes.

I thank you.