Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

UPR45 – Chad

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Thank you, Mr. President,

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

We commend Chad‘s active role in regional multinational counter-terrorism operations and significant steps taken back home in strengthening national reconciliation and restoring peace. We also welcome the decision to abolish the death penalty and the steps taken towards the ratification of the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the complete abolition of the death penalty.

Lithuania would like to make the following recommendations:

- One, promote access to free, compulsory, universal and quality education for children and youth, with a particular focus on making education accessible for girls.

- Two, implement training programs and necessary regulations for security forces to prevent violent repression of peaceful protests.

- Three, take legal and practical measures to ensure the safety of journalists and other media workers, protecting them from undue restrictions of their work, intimidation and harassment both online and offline.

We wish Chad all success in the current UPR.

I thank you.