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Thank you, Mr. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the high-level delegation from Chile to this fourth cycle review and thanks the delegation for their presentation today.

The Maldives commends the Government of Chile for the operation and financial autonomy of the Office of the Ombudsman for Children, which was established pursuant to Act No. 21.67 and the establishment of a National Council for Spatial Development in 2023.

In constructive spirit, the Maldives makes the following two recommendations:

1. Enhance efforts to accelerate the implementation of a National Public Education Strategy to ensure promotion and accessibility without discrimination to public education facilities to fully realize the right to education.
2. Streamline efforts of The National Action Plan to Combat Violence against Women and Gender-based Violence (2021–2030) to prevent, combat and end all forms of violence and discrimination against women and girls while offering the necessary resources for protection as well as comprehensive reparations for victims.

We extend our best wishes for a successful review of Chile.

Thank you, Mr. President.