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Mr. President,

South Africa welcomes the distinguished delegation of Chile to this UPR Session and wishes the country a successful review.

South Africa commends Chile’s National Plan on the Search for Missing Persons, published on the eve of the 50th Anniversary marking the coup, which is a fitting tribute to those brutally tortured and murdered under the Pinochet regime. This plan will finally bring to light the circumstances of the forcibly disappeared and will also greatly contribute to the state’s ability to bring justice to the families affected by these atrocities.

South Africa wishes to make the following recommendations:

* Expedite a judicial response to the human rights violations that occurred during the 2019 social protests;
* Review the Anti-Terrorism Act in relation to international human rights standards and its impact on affected persons of Mapuche origin;
* Strengthen measures to guarantee equality in the enjoyment and exercise of the rights of people of African descent; and
* Bolster efforts to ensure the effective implementation of the law decriminalising the voluntary termination of pregnancy.

I thank you.