

Statement by

**the Republic of Slovenia**

at the

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Mr President,

Slovenia commends the delegation of North Macedonia for the national report, its presentation today and the commitment to the UPR process.

We commend North Macedonia for increased funding for sexual and reproductive health and for developing a strategy for sex education.

Slovenia would like to make the following **recommendations**:

* to ensure adequate funding and capacity for the effective implementation of legislation on violence against women and domestic violence, and to improve capacities to shelter and provide specialized services to survivors of such violence in rural environments;
* to provide human rights education module in primary schools and systematic human rights training for public service employees at national and local levels.

We would welcome a dedicated section on rights of older persons in the next UPR report.

Thank you.