Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

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Thank you, Mr. President.

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

We commend Slovakia for taking an active role in supporting the mass influx of refugees fleeing Russia‘s war of aggression in Ukraine. We note positively the prompt creation of dedicated schemes of support to the refugees, as well as mechanisms to protect these people from possible human trafficking.

We also positively note the significant reforms made in the field of the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including the adoption of the National Strategy for the Protection of Children from Violence and the relevant Plan of Action.

Lithuania wishes to offer Slovakia the following recommendations:

- One, enhance efforts to develop comprehensive support services for persons with disabilities to facilitate independent living.

- Two, develop further measures to address cyberbullying, hate speech and other acts of violence against children in the digital space.

- Three, strengthen public broadcaster by ensuring adequate funding and guaranteeing editorial independence and independent governance.

We wish Slovakia all success in the current UPR.

I thank you.