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**Statement on behalf of the State of Israel**

**UN Human Rights Council**

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**Uruguay**

Thank you, Mr. President.

Israel welcomes the delegation of Uruguay and thanks it for its report.

Israel commends Uruguay for its efforts on commemorating the Holocaust, for the adoption of legal measures against expressions of antisemitism and the strong condemnation of expressions of antisemitism in the demonstration last March 8. In this regard, Israel **recommends** that **Uruguay speeds up the process to become a full member of the IHRA (1).**

Israel welcomes the progress in combatting GBV, through the adoption of new legislation, the criminalization of femicide, the establishment of the Observatory for GBV, among others. In this regard, Israel **recommends** that Uruguay **advance on the establishment of the remaining specialized courts on GBV in other departments of the country (2).**

Israel commends the measures taken to strengthen the National Institute for Older Persons. To continue this progress, Israel **recommends** that Uruguay **takes measures to end the gender gap in the social security system, regarding older women** (3).

Israel welcomes the adoption of the Second National Plan to Prevent and Combat the Trafficking and Exploitation of Persons in Uruguay (2022–2024) and the establishment of the Cybercrime Unit. Nevertheless, Israel **recommends** that Uruguay **allocates adequate resources for the implementation of Act No. 19.643 and for strengthening the National Council on this matter** (4).

Israel wishes the delegation of Uruguay a successful UPR.

Thank you.