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**Review of Uruguay**

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**Statement by the Republic of Latvia**

Thank you, Mr President,

Latvia welcomes the delegation of Uruguay to the UPR Working Group and thanks it for presenting its national report. We commend the efforts taken by the Government of Uruguay since the third review, notably, the adoption of the First National Human Rights Plan as a further step in promoting and protecting the human rights of the people of Uruguay.

We would like to encourage the Government of Uruguay to continue the fulfilment of its human rights obligations and commitments.

Latvia would like to **recommend**:

1. to further strengthen, also through legislative initiatives, the opportunities for women in the political and public life of the country;
2. to fully implement the National Plan of Action for a Life Free from Gender-based Violence against Women as a step towards elimination of all forms of violence against women;

Latvia wishes the delegation of Uruguay success in the review.

I thank you.