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**Review of Viet Nam**

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**Statement by the Republic of Latvia**

Thank you, Mr President,

Latvia welcomes the delegation of Viet Nam to the UPR Working Group and thanks it for presenting the national report.

Latvia would like to make the following recommendations:

1. to extend a standing invitation to all special procedure mandate holders of the Human Rights Council.
2. to establish a national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principles;
3. to provide an enabling, safe and secure environment for human rights defenders, journalists and media workers.

I thank you.