**Statement by Bulgaria**

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Bulgaria welcomes the Delegation of Costa Rica and thanks for the presentation of the national report.

Bulgaria commends Costa Rica on adopting a Road Map to Make Costa Rica a Country Free of Child Labour and its Worst Forms 2022–2025, as well as on criminalizing child marriage.

We welcome the adoption of a series of acts and measures aimed at guaranteeing special protection by the State to persons with disabilities.

We highlight the remarkable achievement of equal representation in the Legislative Assembly between women and men, as well as the legislative amendments providing for equal pay for women and men for work of equal value.

Bulgaria would like to make the following recommendations:

1. Continue efforts towards the employment of persons with disabilities in the public and private sector.
2. Continue efforts aimed at protecting victims of human trafficking.

We wish the Delegation of Costa Rica a successful review!

Thank you, Mr. President!