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**Statement of Lebanon during the 47th session of the UPR WG**

**COSTA RICA**

**Geneva, 11/11/2024 between 9.00 and 12.30**

Mr. President,

Lebanon welcomes the delegation of Costa Rica and commends them for their efforts in implementing the recommendations from its previous cycle, reflecting a strong commitment to the protection and promotion of Human Rights.

Lebanon notes with interest Costa Rica’s policy of aligning its Human Rights monitoring system and national goals with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals.

We also commend Costa Rica for its ambitious climate policy initiatives, in particular those related to the preservation of biodiversity.

In a constructive spirit, Lebanon would like to recommend Costa Rica:

1. To step up efforts to reverse the trend of growing income and multidimensional poverty, as well as income inequality;
2. To increase financial and human resources to address school dropout and gaps in school enrolment;
3. To intensify efforts to prevent and ensure accountability for acts of violence and threats against Indigenous communities.

In conclusion, Lebanon wishes Costa Rica a successful review.

I thank you.

**(1.15 seconds speaking time, 51/100 speaker)**