**UPR Working Group**

**Universal Periodic Review of Costa Rica**

**Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova**

 (*Geneva, 11 November 2024)*

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Mister President,

Allow me to welcome the delegation of Costa Rica and thank them for the presentation of the National Report.

We commend Costa Rica for the advancement of human rights protection by improving the national legal framework and creating enforcement mechanisms. We welcome the reaccreditation with A status of the Office of the Ombudsperson in 2024 and the launch of a national strategy against hate speech and discrimination.

With a view to the commitment of Costa Rica for further advancement of human rights, we recommend:

1. To reinforce the measures to eliminate discriminatory gender stereotypes and continue the implementation of the Action Plan of the National Policy for Effective Equality between Women and Men.
2. Further strengthen preventive measures and support services for victims of gender-based violence against women, especially in remote areas, and accomplish the Action Plan of the National Policy for Addressing and Preventing Violence against Women.
3. To consider signing and ratifying ILO Convention 190 on eliminating violence and harassment in the world of work.

We wish the delegation of Costa Rica a successful UPR cycle.

I thank you, Mister President.

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