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**47th SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

**REVIEW OF SLOVAKIA**

**4 November 2024**

**Statement by the Republic of Croatia**

Mr. President,

Croatia welcomes the delegation of Norway and thanks them for the presentation of their report.

We welcome Norway’s strong protection of human rights domestically, as well as its commitment to the promotion of human rights in the multilateral forums, including by having constructive cooperation with special procedures of the Human Rights Council.

The new Compensation for Violent Crimes Act and related legislation that may entitle a person who is a victim of a serious criminal offence or their next-of-kin to a compensation, is a welcoming development.

We have three recommendations:

1. **Take additional measures with the aim of fighting against corruption at all levels, including by fully implementing recommendations from relevant multilateral bodies.**
2. **Take measures to strengthen the protection from domestic violence, violence in the name of “honour” and other related violence against women and children, especially girls.**
3. **Strengthen the criminal response to human trafficking and ensure that human trafficking victims are properly identified and assisted, including by offering psychological support and legal aid free of charge.**

Croatia wishes Norway a successful review session.

Thank you.