**UPR 48th Session**

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**Review of Italy**

**Statement by Greece**

**(speaking time: 1 min 00)**

Thank you Mr President.

Greece welcomes the delegation of Italy to the 4th UPR Cycle.

We commend Italy for its National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security 2020-2024, aiming, among others, at strengthening women’s role in peace and all decision-making processes.

We also welcome the National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change, approved in 2023, in order to raise awareness on the causes and the aggravating factors of climate change.

**Greece would like to recommend that Italy:**

1. Continue stepping up efforts to establish an independent human rights institution.

2. Ensure that social protection programmes meet the requirements of the diverse range of persons with disabilities on an equal basis with others, as required by the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

3. Step up its efforts to develop and adopt the new national plan against racism, xenophobia and intolerance, ensuring the allocation of adequate resources for the implementation of the plan and establishing a relevant monitoring mechanism.

We wish the delegation of Italy a successful UPR cycle.

Thank you.