**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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**Italy**

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Kazakhstan warmly welcomes the delegation of Italy and thanks for the presentation of its national report.

We commend Italy for updating the Constitution to include environmental protection and for implementing the three new decrees that have facilitated reforms of the judicial system, promoting greater access, awareness and efficiency. We also note positively the adoption of a comprehensive policy to achieve gender equality and combat violence against women and the adoption of Law 71 to prevent and combat cyberbullying.

**My delegation would like to make the following recommendations:**

- Consider establishment of a National Human Rights Institution;

- Strengthen efforts to ensure proper investigation, prosecution and appropriate sanctions for trafficking, including through training of government officials such as law enforcement and the judiciary;

- Continue to ensure that all children and young people who may be in need of protection are not left behind, including by ensuring an agreed and transparent standard operating procedure across all agencies involved in child protection.

We wish the delegation of Italy a very successful review.