**UPR Working Group**

**Universal Periodic Review of Italy**

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

 (*Geneva, 20 January 2025)*

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Mister President,

The Republic of Moldova warmly welcomes the delegation of Italy.

We commend Italy for the strong record in advancing human rights, including measures to foster gender and disability mainstreaming, to support families and to promote active ageing. We further welcome the adoption of the *National Action Plan against Trafficking and Serious Exploitation of Human Beings* as well as the ratification of the *ILO Violence and Harassment Convention*.

In a constructive spirit, we recommend the following:

1. To undertake further efforts to fight against gender-based violence, including by finalizing the drafting and adoption of the new *Plan on Male Violence against Women*.
2. Continue the measures aimed at tackling labor exploitation, including by ensuring the effective implementation of national legislation.
3. To consider ratifying the Global Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education.

We wish the distinguished delegation of Italy a successful review.

Thank you.

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