Iceland warmly welcomes the delegation of Switzerland to the UPR.

We congratulate Switzerland for its longstanding commitment to human rights and commend the constant work honouring its responsibilities as a member of this Council.

We welcome progress made on gender equality in recent years, including the work done to ensure equal pay for work of equal value as well as the work on improved protection for victims of violence in relationships.

We would nonetheless, like to draw the attention of the Swiss government to reports showing that women remain under-represented in numerous areas.

Thus, Iceland recommends Switzerland to:

1. Take additional measures to promote a better representation of women in politics and economy.
2. To continue the work aimed at amending rules regarding the stay of proceedings in cases of “minor” violence in relationships and regarding the categorization of such cases

We wish Switzerland all success for its review,