**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand**

**Ms. Chalongkwan Tavarayuth, First Secretary**

**at the Review of the Czech Republic**

**during the 28th Session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review**

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Mr. President,

Thailand appreciates the Czech Republic’s comprehensive national report presentation.

Noting the Czech Government’s continuing efforts to combat hate crimes and all forms of discrimination against minorities, we remain concerned with the prevalence of such crimes resulting from racial and xenophobic motives. We, therefore, recommend the Czech Government **to take further measures to tackle hate crimes and racial discrimination, including by promoting an understanding of cultural diversity in society, assisting minority youth to access the labour market and adopting adequate social housing policies.**

We are also concerned with the problem of violence against women and children, in particular domestic and sexual violence which has been largely underreported.   
We recommend the Czech Government **to take measures to effectively prevent and prosecute acts of domestic and sexual violence and assist victims of such violence.**

I thank you.

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