Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

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Thank you, President,

Lithuania welcomes the delegation of Rwanda and takes note of its National Report.

We noted Rwanda’s determination to improve human rights situation in the country and recommend the following:

1. To ratify the *Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court*.
2. To take all necessary measures to combat impunity for the crime of enforced disappearance.
3. To eliminate from legislation all provisions that undermine freedom of expression and protection of journalists against harassment and intimidation.
4. To enhance efforts in combating all forms of gender-based violence against women, including domestic and sexual violence.
5. To continue efforts in raising the quality of education and to ensure that free secondary education is accessible to all children.

We wish Rwanda a successful review.