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**Latvia**

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**STATEMENT BY THE CZECH REPUBLIC**

The Czech Republic warmly welcomes the delegation of Latvia.

In response to our previous recommendations, we commend the establishment of the OP-CAT National Monitoring Mechanism in 2018. We also welcome the amendments to the Labour Law to strengthen the equal treatment of women and men in employment.

We **recommend** the following:

1. Accelerate the process of ratification of OP-CAT.
2. Coordinate and monitor the implementation of CRPD, including ensuring an adequate standard of living for persons with disabilities and facilitating the accessibility of all students with disabilities to quality, inclusive education.
3. Adopt a comprehensive anti-discrimination legislation that will contribute to improving the access to public services and employment opportunities.
4. Strengthen measures to combat social exclusion of elderly persons, in particular in relation to the provided social assistance and pensions.

Thank you.