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**Statement by the Kingdom of the Netherlands**

The Kingdom of the Netherlands thanks the delegation of Estonia for the presentation of its national report.

The Netherlands commends the Estonian Government for its recent approval of its first National Action Plan on Human Rights. We consider this a huge step forward and we hope for a solid implementation of the action plan.

The Netherlands **recommends** Estonia:

1. To adopt the necessary implementation legislation for the Registered Partnership Act as to ensure its full implementation;

2. To launch a public debate on issues concerning ethnic and cultural diversity aimed at promoting tolerance towards different cultures, religions and sexual orientations within the Estonian society.

The Netherlands wishes Estonia success with the follow-up of all recommendations it receives during this third UPR cycle.

Thank you.