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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Denmark welcomes the delegation and thanks it for its presentation.

We commend Hungary for the adoption of a police and a prosecution protocol on hate crimes.

We are concerned about insufficient protection of the rights of persons belonging to sexual and other minority groups.

*Denmark recommends the Government to adopt a comprehensive strategy and action plan to counter violence, discrimination and stigmatisation based on sexual orientation and gender identity.*

We are concerned that the Media Authority and its Media Council lack sufficient independence.

*Denmark recommends the Government to establish more transparent appointment procedures for the Media Authority to enhance its independence.*

Denmark wishes Hungary a successful review.

I thank you.