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Thank you Mr. President,

Greece welcomes the delegation of Finland to the UPR.

We want to recognise the progress achieved by the country since the last review. Greece would like to commend the country’s commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as almost reaching the goals related to social and economic sustainability.

Greece would like to recommend that Finland:

1) Ensure that effective efforts to combat racism are adequately funded and systematically implemented into existing structures, institutions and policies

2) Take further action to ensure the allocation of resources towards combating violence against women, as per its obligations under international human rights institutions

3) Strongly consider repealing legislation that permits the sterilisation of women with mental disabilities

4) Take appropriate action towards the provision of human rights training to teachers, as a means of diminishing discrimination towards students from migrant backgrounds

I thank you.