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***Statement by the Kingdom of the Netherlands***

Mr. President,

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

The Netherlands commends Finland for implementing many of the recommendations from the previous UPR session in 2017, including through the adoption of the third National Action Plan on Fundamental and Human Rights in June of 2021, as well as the adoption of the Government Report on Human Rights Policy. The broad stakeholder involvement and ambitious objectives demonstrate Finland’s commitment to improving human rights domestically as well as around the globe.

Building on these developments, the Netherlands **recommends** Finland:

1. To establish a comprehensive action plan for the protection of the rights of LGBTQI+ persons, including the bodily integrity of intersex persons.
2. To implement regional and international obligations addressing violence against women, including by ensuring proper coordination between authorities at the local, regional and national level.

The Netherlands wishes Finland every success with the follow-up and implementation of all accepted recommendations it receives during this fourth UPR cycle.

Thank you, Mister President.

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