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**Review of Algeria**

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**Statement by Latvia**

Thank you, President,

Latvia welcomes the delegation of Algeria to the UPR Working Group and thanks for presenting its national report.

Latvia would like to **recommend** to the Government of Algeria:

1. to abolish the death penalty and consider ratifying the Second Optional Protocol of the ICCPR;
2. to ratify and fully align its national legislation with all the obligations under the Rome Statute of the ICC;
3. to consider extending a standing invitation to special procedures mandate holders of the HRC;
4. to take measures to foster a safe, respectful and enabling environment for civil society, human rights defenders and journalists, free from persecution, intimidation and harassment;
5. to take all necessary measures, both in law and in practice, to combat violence against women and girls, and domestic violence;
6. to take all necessary measures, both in law and in practice, to ensure gender equality and eliminate any form of discrimination against women, including by ensuring equal rights between the two spouses.

Latvia wishes to the delegation of Algeria success in the review.

I thank you.