Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Lithuania warmly welcomes the delegation of Argentina and thanks it for its National Report.

We acknowledge Argentina’s advancement in protecting the rights of women and girls and campaigning against gender-based violence.

Lithuania wishes to offer Argentina the following recommendations:

* One, ensure proper functioning of the Office of the Ombudsperson of the Nation in compliance with the Paris Principles.
* Two, continue investigations of all allegations of violence against human rights defenders and journalists imprisoned for exercising freedoms of expression, peaceful assembly and association, and ensure that alleged perpetrators are brought to justice.
* Three, continue strengthening public education campaigns to address negative social attitudes towards children with disabilities, older persons and indigenous people.
* Four, allocate sufficient resources to ensure effective implementation of the National Action Plan for Combating Gender-Based Violence and increase accessibility to justice mechanisms for victims.

We wish Argentina a successful review.

I thank you.