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Thank you, Mr. President,

The Maldives warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation from Argentina to this fourth cycle review and thanks the delegation for their presentation today.

The Maldives commends the efforts by Argentina to implement the recommendations from the preceding review. We welcome the commitment to combating climate change by adopting the Act on Minimum Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Budgets.

In constructive spirit, the Maldives makes the following two recommendations:

1. Continue efforts to improve the detention facilities, including through the allocation of sufficient financial and human resources.

2. Address gender-based violence by establishing shelters and safe houses, especially in remote rural areas.

We wish Argentina a successful review.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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