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**Human Rights Council**

**42st session of the UPR Working Group**

**Review of Argentina**

*(23 January 2023)*

**Intervention by Ukraine**

*(Speaking time: 1 min. 10 sec.)*

**Mr. President,**

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Argentina led by Secretary of Human Rights Mr. Horacio Pietragalla Corti and thanks for the presentation of the National report. We commend Argentina’s excellent Presidency in the HRC in the challenging year 2022 and its continued active role as HRC member.

Ukraine acknowledges the progress of Argentina in the fulfill the recommendations accepted during its third UPR cycle.

We positively note the efforts taken by the country to improve the institutional and legislative framework on human rights protection, including the creation of the National Committee for the Prevention of Torture and the establishment of the Ministry for Women, Gender and Diversity.

In the spirit of constructive cooperation Ukraine would like to recommend to the Government of Argentina:

* to take further steps to establish shelters that provide suitable support for female victims of sexual violence and their children;
* to take further proper legislative measures to protect children and families at risk and in most need of aid;
* to continue efforts to strengthen national policy that provides all necessary assistance for migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers, especially women, girls and boys.

We wish Argentina a successful review.

**Thank you.**