**Samoa Recommendations for Argentina’s UPR, 23 January 2023 @2:30pm**

Thank you Mr President,

Samoa thanks the delegation of Argentina for their national report, and commends the progress made in institution-building, particularly in the approved appointments for members of the Office of the Ombudsperson for Children and Adolescents.

We further commend Argentina for the significant steps takentoward stronger environmental policies and political commitments to combat climate change.

Samoa would like to make the following recommendations:

1. Accelerate the process of appointing a national ombudsman in compliance with the Paris principles
2. Advance efforts to establish local torture prevention mechanism in all provinces and ensure that the mechanisms are adequate staffed and funded to improve operational effectiveness.
3. Ensure effective implementation of measures under the national action plans to combat femicide and other forms of gender-based violence
4. To sign and ratify the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

We wish Argentina a successful review.

I thank you.