**42nd SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

**REVIEW OF ZAMBIA**

**30 January 2023**

**Statement by the Republic of Croatia**

Mister President,

Croatia welcomes the delegation of Zambia headed by His Excellency, Minister of Justice, Mr. Mulambo Haimbe.

We commend Zambia’s efforts in broadening access to education, including by lifting school fees at primary and secondary level and introducing a ban on corporal punishment.

Croatia welcomes the measures aimed at decongesting overcrowded prisons and for ensuring that temporarily detained persons are housed separately from general prisoners’ population.

Croatia congratulates Zambia on the recent abolishment of the death penalty.

We have three recommendations:

1. Continue addressing all incidences of child labour and define, prohibit and eliminate hazardous labour practice for child workers.
2. Ensure that judicial proceedings involving children are carried out promptly and effectively.
3. Ensure timely information on detention of foreign nationals to their consular posts of sending States in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of 1963.

We wish Zambia a successful review session.

Thank you.