**BARBADOS**

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**Statement by Iceland (61of 82)**

Mr. President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Barbados and its national report.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Abolish the death penalty.
2. Mandate comprehensive sexuality education in schools and for out-of-school adolescents and youth.
3. Amend the nationality laws to ensure women confer nationality on their children in all circumstances.
4. Enact legislation protecting survivors of GBV and sexual harassment outside the workplace.
5. Prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity in the new Constitution and repeal all existing discriminatory legislation, including “buggery” in the Sexual Offences Act of 1992.
6. Decriminalise same-sex relations between consenting adults and legalise same-sex marriage.
7. Introduce through legislation a transparent administrative self-identification process for gender recognition free from intrusive requirements.
8. Ban conversion therapies.

I wish Barbados all success for its review.

I thank you.