Statement by the Republic of Lithuania

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Lithuania welcomes the delegation of Mexico and commends it for the constructive participation in the UPR process.

We welcome progress made by Mexico since the last UPR, including in advancing the legislative and policy framework. We note with concern the remaining challenges, particularly in addressing impunity for human rights violations and abuses.

We recommend Mexico:

1. To protect freedom of expression by effectively prosecuting perpetrators of attacks against journalists and human rights defenders.
2. To make effective and transparent use of the Mechanism for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders and Journalists, including from a gender perspective.
3. To consolidate efforts in promptly and impartially investigating all instances of gender-based violence and enforced disappearances of women and girls.
4. To strengthen cooperation with independent experts and NGO’s in preventing gender-based violence and in collecting verified data on violence against women and girls.

Lithuania wishes Mexico the best of luck in the current UPR cycle.

Thank you.