**Statement by Iceland**

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Mr. President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Uruguay.

Iceland commends the significant progress made by Uruguay in promoting the rights of LGBTI persons and drastically reducing maternal mortality. We also acknowledge the important achievements made in the field of access to education for women and girls.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Take measures to ensure that all women have access to legal abortion and post-abortion services.
2. Introduce stricter justification requirements to prevent the blanket use by medical institutions and practitioners of conscientious objection to performing an abortion.
3. Introduce education on sexual and reproductive health to prevent early pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections.
4. Take all measures to combat discrimination against LGBTI persons, investigate all acts of violence motivated by the sexual orientation or gender identity of the victim and bring the perpetrators to justice.
5. Ensure that health services are accessible to persons with disabilities, and train health professionals in treating persons with disabilities, observing the right to free and informed consent.

I wish Uruguay all success for its review.

I thank you