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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Mr. President,

Denmark welcomes the delegation of Norway and thanks it for its presentation today.

We commend the establishment of the National Human Rights Institution and the ratification of the Istanbul Convention.

Denmark acknowledges the efforts to reduce violence. However, statistics show that domestic violence continues to be a grave social problem.

*Denmark recommends the Government to develop an action plan against domestic violence, especially gender-based violence, in accordance with Article 7 and 8 of the Istanbul Convention.*

Denmark appreciates the efforts to ensure the interests of Sami people in legislative and administrative procedures. Nevertheless, consultation practices vary.

*Denmark recommends the Government to ensure uniform procedures for consultations of Sami people in accordance with ILO convention no. 169, article 6, no. 1.*

Denmark wishes Norway a successful review.

I thank you.