**Statement by Iceland**

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Madam/Mr. President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Guyana.

We welcome the national report and the steps outlined therein and hope for their continued implementation.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Fully abolish the death penalty and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR.
2. Ensure access to contraceptives and safe, timely abortion services in order to guarantee sexual and reproductive health and rights for all, in line with existing legislation.
3. Revise and strengthen the Health and Family Life Education program and its delivery to include comprehensive sexuality education, in line with international guidelines and best practices.
4. Integrate sensitization training into the national police curriculum to improve responses to violence and discrimination against people based on sexual orientation and gender identity and develop a state policy on preventing and addressing discrimination of persons based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

I wish Guyana all success for its review.

I thank you