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**Review of Croatia**

**Statement by Greece**

Thank you Madam President.

Greece warmly welcomes the delegation of Croatia and thanks them for their presentation today.

Greece appreciates the continuous progress of Croatia in enhancing its already solid legislative and institutional framework for the promotion and protection of human rights. We particularly welcome the ratification of the Istanbul Convention, as well as the adoption of new Protocols to be followed in cases of sexual and domestic violence. We further welcome the signature of the Guidelines for the improvement of regional cooperation in prosecuting war crimes and searching for missing persons.

**Greece would like to make the following recommendations to Croatia:**

1. Continue its efforts towards an inclusive education for children with developmental disabilities, especially in rural areas.
2. Take further steps to ensure a sufficient number of shelters for victims of domestic violence, and improve data collection on acts of domestic violence.
3. Ensure thorough investigation of cases of domestic violence, prosecution and conviction of perpetrators, as well as adequate compensation for the victims.

Greece wishes to the delegation of Croatia every success in implementing the recommendations received today.

I thank you.