

Statement by

**the Republic of Slovenia**

at the

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Madame President,

Slovenia wishes to commend Suriname for its presentation today and its commitment to the UPR process. We welcome information on the accession of Suriname to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities since the last UPR.

Slovenia remains concerned about the status of children and women, as the domestic violence remains a pervasive problem, and an increased number of children are subject to abuse and neglect.

Slovenia would like to make the following recommendations:

1. **Recommend** to the authorities of Suriname to take dedicated measures to effectively operationalize the National Human Rights Institute, established in 2016, in compliance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (Paris Principles) with a broad mandate, including the promotion and protection of women's rights, children's rights and gender equality.
2. **Recommend** to the authorities of Suriname to extenda standing invitation to the special procedures of the Human Rights Council.

Thank you.