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Thank you Mr. President,

The Maldives welcomes the distinguished delegation of Turkey to this review; and expresses its appreciation for its national report.

The Maldives commends the efforts of Turkey made for gender equality and women's rights, and recognizes the measures taken to combat domestic violence, especially violence against women and honor crimes. The Maldives also encourages the Government to enhance efforts to improve quality of education provided to children in the country. We encourage the State to continue to strengthen its efforts for promotion and protection of human rights in the country.

The Maldives would, therefore, like to make the following recommendations:

1. To strengthen efforts to eliminate child, early and forced marriage.
2. To strengthen efforts to protect the rights of persons with disabilities, especially focusing on the implementation of the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities.

In conclusion, we highly appreciate the active and constructive role the Turkish delegation plays at the Human Rights Council.

We wish the delegation the best during this review.

I thank you Mr. President