



**Intervention of Slovenia  
Review of Togo  
26<sup>th</sup> Session of UPR Working Group  
Geneva, 31 October 2016**

Mr. President,

Slovenia welcomes the delegation of Togo to the UPR working group.

We commend Togo for the ratifications of several human rights treaties as well as the progress made in the field of rights of the child.

We remain concerned that despite actions taken by the Government the birth registration is still not universal. In this respect we urge Togo to ensure that children without birth certificate are not deprived of access to education, health care and other social services.

We note with regret that consensual same-sex sexual conduct is still criminalized and that violence against women remains a problem.

We wish to make the following **recommendations** to Togo:

- to adopt and implement the National Policies on Child Protection and on the Child Welfare System;
- to ensure universal birth registration and to take the necessary steps to achieve universal primary education and combat illiteracy;
- to adopt and implement legislation prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, including by decriminalize consensual same-sex sexual conduct;
- to prohibit harmful practices, including by adopting additional measures to fight against all forms of violence against women and girls.

Thank you!

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