UPR - review of Brazil - Statement by Poland

Poland would like to thank the delegation of Brazil for its informative national report and constructive participation in the UPR process and His/Her Excellency for his/her introductory statement.

The Polish delegation would like to present the following recommendation to the Government of Brazil:

- 1. Poland recommends that Brazilian government, at all administrative levels, pays more attention to the rights of indigenous people, especially to ensure their land rights. The construction of modern infrastructure, like dams and hydroelectric plants should not lead to expropriation of territories and destruction of ways of life of traditional peoples and communities. The protection of human rights should have a priority over the economic drive to exploit natural resources.
- 2. We appreciate the adoption of "National Protection Programme for Human Rights Defenders", however what is needed is its effective implementation. We recommend that Brazilian government not only respects the rights of Human Rights Defenders, but that it protects them in their every day struggle.