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Madam President,

Brazil welcomes the delegation of Sri Lanka to the UPR. We recognize considerable improvements in the country since the end of the long lasting conflict in the Northern and Eastern Provinces.

Brazil welcomes progress in the resettlement of IDPs, such as the closure of the Menik Farm camp. We also commend the de-mining program, which has already cleared over 90% of the concerned area.

We also welcome the National Plans of Action for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and for the implementation of the LLRC.

Brazil reiterates its recommendation of the 1st cycle for the ratification of the OPCAT.

We also recommend that Sri Lanka continue its constructive engagement with the UN Special Procedures including the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, by inviting the WG to visit the country.