

Statement by Hungary - France, UPR Session 15, 21 January 2013

Mister President,

Hungary welcomes the distinguished delegation of France and would like to thank the country for its comprehensive mid-term review report in 2010. We highly appreciate France's dynamic role in the HRC, in particular the leadership it has demonstrated on the issues of enforced disappearances and arbitrary detention.

Hungary takes positive note of the adoption of the Roma Inclusion Strategy by France in the beginning of last year. We remain preoccupied, however, about the ongoing evictions of Roma from their settlements and the return of migrant Roma to their country of origin without their free, full and informed consent. **We recommend** that France ensure that its practices and policies in this regard will be conform to European and International Human Rights law and that a timeline is established for the implementation of specific alternative solutions and permanent resettlement arrangements addressing particularly issues of housing, schooling and access to health care.

Hungary is pleased to note the commitment of the French Government to fight racism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism, as demonstrated by the recent launch of its National Action Plan against racism and anti-Semitism for 2012-2014. **Could the delegation elaborate** on whether the Action Plan includes measures to address the risk of ethnic profiling by law enforcement officials during identity checks, such as the introduction of stop forms, recording such checks.

Finally, Hungary notes with satisfaction that following the visit of the SR on the sale of children, France has set up an inter ministerial working group on unaccompanied minors arriving from abroad, as these minors are particularly vulnerable to exploitation and trafficking. **We recommend** that France provide an update at the mid-term review on which specific measures it has put in place to combat trafficking of children and child prostitution.

Thank you, Mr. President.