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## Intervention by Brazil

Mr. President,

Brazil welcomes the delegation of the Russian Federation to the second cycle of the UPR.

The Brazilian delegation notes with appreciation that economic progress in the Russian Federation has been translated into social inclusion and promotion of economic, social and cultural rights.

Following up to the recommendations presented during the first cycle, we congratulate the Russian Federation for the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and for an increased openness to the special procedures of the Human Rights Council.

Brazil is very encouraged by the moratorium to executions of death penalty and would like to invite them to consider its abolition.

We are also concerned with the lack of specific legislation to protect women and girls against violence and discrimination. In this sense, Brazil recommends to the Government of the Russian Federation to develop a comprehensive action plan to combat domestic violence against women and girls;

In a spirit of cooperation, Brazil recommends that Russia strengthens its programs aimed at the promotion of the right to health.

Finally, we would like to ask the Russian delegation what measures have been adopted to eradicate poverty and promote social equality.

Thank you, Mister President.