



UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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Mr. President

Uganda welcomes the delegation of China led by H.E. Amb. Wu Hailong to the 17th Session of UPR.

We note that under Amendment (VIII) to the Criminal Law adopted in 2011, China abolished the death penalty for 13 separate non-violent economic crimes, accounting for 19.1 per cent of the capital crime category in 2012,

China also amended its Criminal Procedure Law, explicitly writing "respect for and safeguarding for human rights" into the law and further improving the death penalty review procedure.

We recommend that China Adopt further measures to firmly crack down on cult organizations to safeguard freedom of worship and the normal religious order, ensure the implementation of the Electoral Law, and further guarantee citizens' right to vote and to be elected.

Thank you Mr. President