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Mr. President,

Denmark thanks the delegation of Eritrea for their presentation today. We would like to commend Eritrea for its generally constructive engagement in the UPR process, where Eritrea accepted a large number of the recommendations presented during its first UPR.

We note, however, with some concern that very little progress has been reported since Eritrea's first UPR. In particular, Denmark sincerely regrets the lack of progress with regard to the fight against torture and other ill-treatment.

During its first UPR, Eritrea accepted recommendations concerning ratification of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. Yet, no progress has been reported in this area. Therefore, Denmark again *recommends that the Government of Eritrea ratifies the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment without delay.*

Thank you, Mr. President.