



Statement on behalf of the State of Israel

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Report of the UPR Working Group on NEW ZEALAND

Thank you, Mr. President.

Israel welcomes the delegation of New Zealand to Geneva, and praises their permanent efforts placed on promoting and protecting human rights, its good records on both domestic and international human rights issues speak for themselves.

Israel also congratulates New Zealand's commitment with the UPR and its positive response to an overwhelming number of recommendations during its first review, including recommendations related to the elimination of violence against women, equality and non-discrimination.

We have noted the progress and several measures taken by the government of New Zealand towards promoting the rights of its population with disabilities; in this regard, we **encourage** New Zealand to continue its incentives on the work plan in place to address the abuse of the health of people with intellectual disability and **recommend** they ensure primary health facilities are adequately equipped to provide care for these persons.

Thank you, Mr. President.