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## Italian intervention

## UPR - DPRK (01/05/2014)

Thank you, Mister President.

Italy welcomes the distinguished delegation of DPRK.

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Italy is the grave situation of human rights in DPRK. Italy regrets that DPRK did not timely and explicitly accepted any of the recommendations received during the previous cycle of UPR, while there is no direct reference to those recommendations in the main body of the national report. Italy deems that DPRK's aim of pursuing the well-being of its citizens cannot be achieved without a straightforward cooperation with the international mechanisms dealing with human rights.

Italy is deeply concerned about - inter alia - the recurrent use of the death penalty, the practice of public executions, the unduly restrictions of freedom of movement, the criminalization of repatriated citizens, and the level of discrimination against women.

Italy proposes to DPRK the following recommendations:

- 1. to consider constructively the recommendations made during this UPR and made by the Commission of Inquiry on human rights in DPRK;
- 2. to adopt a moratorium of the executions, as a first step towards abolition of death penalty, as previously recommended in the first cycle;
- 3. to disclose detailed data on the use of death penalty and the modalities of the executions;
- 4. to ensure women an equal treatment with respect to men, especially with regard to the rights to food, education and work.

I thank you