

Italian intervention

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Thank you, Mister President.

Italy welcomes the distinguished delegation of Egypt led by Ibrahim El-Heneidy and thanks it for its commitment in this review, which is an important occasion for Egypt to elaborate on its engagement to improve human rights situation and on the steps taken to implement the provisions enshrined in the Constitution. Taking into account the severe and growing challenges that Egypt has been facing and pledging support to its fight against terrorism, Italy would like to propose the following **recommendations**:

- to revise the law regulating the right of public assembly - inter alia by specifying the prohibited conduct and repealing excessive sanctions - to ensure better compliance with international standards;
- to adopt the new law on NGOs to fully guarantee to the civil society a set of rights in conformity with international standards.

Italy urges Egypt to review the mass death sentences and ensure to all the defendants a fair trial according to the rule of law. Italy finally **recommends** Egypt to establish a moratorium on executions.

I thank you