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Statement of the Republic of Korea

Mr. President,

The Republic of Korea notes with appreciation that the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has made a number of achievements in the human rights field.

The Charter of Citizens' Rights has been drafted to lay the framework to strengthen guarantees for all basic and fundamental rights. There also have been legislative developments including the amendment to the Penal Code and the adoption of the Criminal Procedure law.

In the hope that the Government of Iran will continue to build upon the current achievements, my delegation would like to make a few recommendations as follows.

First, we recommend that the government of Iran carry out constructive and cooperative engagement with the Special Procedures including, particularly, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iran.

Second, we recommend that Iran put forward its best efforts to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women including early forced marriage of girls and unequal rights to marriage, divorce, inheritance and child custody.

Third, we recommend the establishment of an independent national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principle and provide it with adequate human and financial resources. /The End/