



PERMANENT MISSION OF ISRAEL TO
THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA

Statement on behalf of the State of Israel

UN Human Rights Council UPR WORKING GROUP 20th SESSION Slovenia

Thank you, Mr. President.

Israel welcomes the Slovenian delegation to its second UPR, and thanks them for the very comprehensive report presented before us today.

We welcome the various policy measures Slovenia has adopted on matters of social protection, children and youth and human trafficking. We would however **recommend** Slovenia **(1)** to implement the 2006-2016 Programme for Children and Youth, and **(2)** to repeal provisions of the Marriage and Family Relations Act that are not compliant with the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Israel is concerned that many of Slovenia's citizens and migrants still fall victim to discrimination despite the fact that several institutions have been tasked to ensure non-discrimination. We **recommend** Slovenia **(3)** addresses discrimination by public and private actors as a matter of priority, and **(4)** broadens the mandate and powers of the institutions tasked with guaranteeing the principle of equality and non-discrimination.

We note that recommendations accepted by Slovenia during its first UPR, on the subject of discrimination against Roma, remain largely unimplemented. We **recommend** Slovenia **(5)** implements these recommendations. In addition, we **recommend** Slovenia, as well, **(6)** to implement recommendations by the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Water and Sanitation regarding access to water for Roma.

Thank you.