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**Italian intervention**

**UPR – United States of America**

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Thank you Mr. President,

We welcome the distinguished delegation of the United States, and thank them for their presentation and report.

Italy appreciates the measures taken by the Government of the United States to foster better awareness of human rights obligations at the federal, state, tribal and local levels, as well as to improve human rights training for those in government. Italy also appreciates the dedication of the Government of the United States to eliminating racial discrimination and the use of excessive force in policing.

Italy would like to make the following **recommendation**:

Given that 26 States have abolished or adopted a moratorium of capital executions, take into consideration the possibility to adopt a moratorium of capital executions at state and federal level.

Thank you.