

Statement on behalf of the State of Israel

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Federated States of Micronesia

Thank you, Mr. President.

We warmly welcome the delegation of the Federated States of Micronesia and thank them for their report presented before us today, recognizing this report as the result of extensive consultations between different bodies of the government as well as NGO's.

Israel appreciates the serious and systematic approach of the FSM in addressing and implementing the recommendations given on the first cycle.

Israel congratulates Micronesia for the significant progress in the field of Human Rights made since its last UPR, and would like to highlight, among others, the launching and planning of several national policies such as the National Youth Policy, the National Policy on Disability and the National Policy on Gender.

Important research initiatives such as the Child Protection Baseline Report and the Family Health and Safety Study, are also commended.

Israel commends Micronesia for signing the CRPD, for the enactment of the Trafficking in Persons Act of 2012, and for the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the CRC on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography.

Additionally, Israel would like to recommend to Micronesia the following:

- (1) To continue its efforts in order to ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).
- (2) Following the completion of the Family Health and Safety Study, to continue its actions to eradicate domestic violence.

Israel wishes the FSM a successful UPR.

Thank you.