

STATEMENT BY SINGAPORE AT THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC
REVIEW (UPR) OF THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK AT THE 24th UPR
WORKING GROUP, 21 JANUARY 2016

Mr President,

Singapore warmly welcomes the delegation of Denmark to the 24th UPR Working Group.

We welcome Denmark's commitment to improve the lives of its citizens by implementing measures to strengthen integration of ethnic minorities into its society. This includes ensuring education opportunities for students from ethnic minorities. As a multi-ethnic society, Singapore fully recognises the opportunities and challenges posed by ethnic and religious diversity and the importance of maintaining social cohesion. We **recommend** that Denmark strengthen policies and initiatives to promote tolerance towards and integration of ethnic minorities in all spheres of society.

Denmark has made effort to combat hate crime, including those that are racially motivated. Singapore **recommends** that Denmark continue to strengthen efforts taken by the police to combat hate crime based on ethnicity and to ensure effective handling of such cases.

We join the many friends of Denmark in wishing it every success in the promotion and protection of human rights.

Thank you Mr President.

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