

## Albanian Statement on UPR-Denmark

Mr. President,

Albania welcomes the delegation of Denmark for presenting their comprehensive national report today.

We would like to commend the progress made by the Danish Government on the Disability Policy Action Plan of 2013. This plan contributes to setting up political and economic priorities for the disability-policy initiatives across policy areas and provides a framework for the continued work of implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

We also encourage the further governmental endeavors on improving the human rights protection, in particular in the area of promoting gender equality where the Government has performed the "rights campaign" targeting women from ethnic minority groups in Denmark and informing them of their rights according to family law.

While encouraging the Danish Government for further improvements with regard to Human Rights, Albania has the following recommendations:

- 1. To amend the relevant laws so that all persons with disabilities could vote and stand for election,
- 2. To build tolerance and intercultural understanding, and to develop a national action plan on racism.

Albania would once again like to commend the Danish Government for the overall progress achieved and wish her a successful review session.

Thank you!

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