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Mr. President,

Brazil welcomes the delegation of the Kingdom of Denmark.

Brazil takes note with appreciation of the efforts taken by the Danish Government to improve the general situation of human rights by the adoption of several new laws benefiting children, vulnerable persons and persons with disabilities, LGBTI persons, and refugees and migrants, among others, as highlighted in the National Report.

Brazil takes notes with satisfaction that Denmark accepted most of the recommendations proposed during its first UPR, in 2011.

As a contribution to Denmark's ongoing effort in the promotion and protection of human rights, Brazil would like to make the following recommendations:

a) grant expedited family reunification to refugees who are entitled to asylum due to the general situation in their home country, in particular "war refugees". We consider that the waiting period for family reunification in the case of "war refugees" causes unnecessary suffering, bearing in mind the precarious situation of their families living in refugee camps; and

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b) internalize as soon as possible the following international human rights treaties: ICCPR, ICESCR, CAT, ICERD, CRC and CEDAW, as well as ratifying the CPED.

Brazil is concerned with the overall situation of the increasing number of migrants in the country, many of them facing serious difficulties in their process of integration in Danish society.

Thank you.