

**UPR of Mozambique**  
**Statement by the Republic of Poland**  
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Mr. President,

Poland would like to thank the delegation of Mozambique for their comprehensive national report and active participation in the second cycle of the UPR process.

We acknowledge Mozambique's efforts undertaken to comply with the recommendations accepted during the first cycle of UPR.

Poland notes with appreciation progress made by Mozambique when it comes to undertaking international obligations. We appreciate Mozambique's decision to become a party to i.a. the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Nevertheless, there is still a space for further improvement in this field.

In this respect, Poland recommends that Mozambique **ratifies the International Covenant on the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the Rome Statue of the International Criminal Court.**

Furthermore, the Polish delegation would like to recommend that Mozambique **extends a standing invitation to the Human Rights Council's special procedures.** We are convinced that the cooperation with special procedures will result in improving human rights standards in Mozambique.

Having in mind a crucial role of civil society for the promotion, protection and advancement of human rights, Poland recommends that **Mozambique engages a civil society in the follow-up implementation process of the UPR recommendations.**

Thank you for your attention.