

**Human Rights Council
UPR 24th Session of the UPR working group,
Review of Palau
Intervention by Denmark**

Mr. President,

Denmark warmly welcomes the delegation of Palau and thanks it for its presentation today. We would like to commend Palau for its constructive engagement in the UPR process and for having demonstrated progress in the protection and promotion of human rights since its last review.

Denmark was pleased to note that Palau after its first UPR signed the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment in 2011.

Denmark recommends that the Government of Palau intensifies its efforts to ratify the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment.

In this regard allow me to highlight that the Convention against Torture Initiative, which works through government to government exchange and cooperation, stands ready to explore avenues to assist the Government of Palau in advancing on this issue if deemed helpful.

Thank you, Mr. President.