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*Statement by the Republic of Cyprus during the review of*  
**Singapore**

Mr. President,

Cyprus welcomes Singapore's delegation and commends its authorities for the comprehensive national report submitted, as well as for the openness of its presentation before us today.

We commend the measures that the Government of Singapore has taken since the first UPR cycle. We welcome, in particular, reforms introduced with the aim of enhancing social protection — in particular for the elderly and low-income earners — and improving the quality of healthcare and housing.

Cyprus wishes to make two recommendations for the consideration of the authorities of Singapore:

1. To accede to and fully align its national legislation with the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC), and
2. To ratify the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and its Optional Protocol.

I thank you.