



**Statement by H.E. Archbishop Silvano M. Tomasi, Permanent Representative of the Holy See to  
the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva at the United Nations  
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Mr. President,

The Holy See welcomes the Delegation of Singapore on the occasion of the presentation of its second National Report to the Universal Periodic Review.

My Delegation acknowledges the various efforts made by Singapore to guarantee better the effective implementation of Human Rights. We are glad to note the establishment of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Trafficking in Persons, as well as the launching of a National Plan of Action on Trafficking in Persons.

My Delegation would like to present the following recommendations:

1. To re-establish a moratorium on executions, with a view to abolishing the death penalty.
2. To continue its efforts to guarantee the protection and rehabilitation of the victims of trafficking in persons, especially for women and children.

Thank you, Mr. President.