

**Human Rights Council**  
**UPR 24<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UPR working group,**  
**Review of Solomon Islands**  
**Intervention by Denmark**

Mr. President,

Denmark warmly welcomes the delegation of Solomon Islands and thanks it for its presentation today. We would like to commend Solomon Islands 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 Solomon Islands during its first UPR accepted recommendations to ratify the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment.

Denmark hopes that concrete steps are being undertaken to honour this commitment, and we would be grateful, if the delegation could elaborate on steps taken.

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

Allow me in this context 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 Solomon Islands in advancing on this issue if deemed helpful.

Thank you, Mr. President.