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Mr. President,

Brazil welcomes the delegation of Hungary to the second cycle of the UPR.

We commend Hungary for its cooperation with human rights mechanisms, in particular with the HRC special procedures. We take note with satisfaction that Hungary ratified the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture; took steps in combating antisemitism; enacted a specific legal provision governing domestic violence; and funded temporary shelters to provide safe accommodation, services and assistance for victims of human trafficking, in line with recommendations made by Brazil in the first UPR.

Brazil is concerned with reports on denial of asylum applications in Hungary after the adoption of a new law stipulating a list of safe countries of origin and safe third countries that allows authorities to return asylum seekers, without properly assessing the individual situation of the applicants.

We also share the preoccupation of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women about the narrowness of the definition of family in Act CCXI, of 2011, on the

protection of families, that includes only relationships based on a marriage.

While recognizing important progress in the country, additional measures could be envisioned to promote and protect human rights. Brazil wishes to recommend that Hungary:

- a) reform its legislation to ensure full respect of the principle of non-refoulement; and
- b) amend the legislation on the protection of families in order to widen the definition of family.

Thank you.