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Statement by Portugal

Hungary

Mr. President,

Let me start by extending a warm welcome to the delegation of Hungary and thank it for the presentation of its national report.

Portugal welcomes that, since its first UPR, Hungary has ratified the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CAT).

Furthermore, we commend Hungary for establishing an inter-ministerial Human Rights Working Group to monitor and promote the human rights situation in the country.

Portugal also welcomes the significant steps taken by Hungary towards the promotion of gender equality.

We would like to offer Hungary the following recommendations:

- To adopt a National Action Plan on Security Council Resolution 1325, on Women, Peace and Security;
- To consider developing Human Rights Indicators as suggested by the OHCHR as an instrument that allows for a more precise and coherent evaluation of national human rights policies;
- To ratify the Optional Protocol to ICESCR (International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights), as well as the Optional Protocol to the CRC (Convention of the Rights of the Child) on a Communications Procedure

Thank you, Mr. President.