## PERMANENT MISSION OF MONTENEGRO TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Ireland - 2<sup>nd</sup> UPR Cycle

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## Statement by Permanent Representative, Ambassador Nebojša Kaluđerović

Montenegro warmly welcomes distinguished delegation of Ireland to the 2<sup>nd</sup> UPR Cycle.

We commend the proactive role of the Government of Ireland in promoting and protecting human rights both within the borders and at the international level.

Montenegro welcomes the adoption of several anti-discrimination national acts in Ireland between two cycles. We are pleased to note that the Second National Strategy on Domestic, Sexual and Gender-based violence 2016-2020 contains an action plan for ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence.

We would appreciate to learn more on the consultation process with civil society and academia launched with a view to allow for ratification of OP-CAT. We would also appreciate if the delegation could elaborate on the first results of the work of recently established Child Protection and Human Exploitation Unit within the police authorities of Ireland, in particular when it comes to reducing the rate of child abuse, domestic and sexual violence against children.

Montenegro would like to offer the following recommendations:

- 1. To ratify the Convention on the Rights of All Persons with Disabilities;
- 2. To continue with its efforts to implement necessary measures with a view to end long-term involuntary homelessness.

Thank you Mr. President.