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Mr. President,

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

We commend Ireland for enacting legislation ensuring same-sex marriage. With regard to previous recommendations made by Brazil, we acknowledge the on-going implementation of measures with a view to ratifying OP-CAT.

There is still space for the promotion of the human right to adequate housing. In that connection, Ireland should consider developing programs to address the housing needs in the country, specially of persons in vulnerable situations and affected by poverty and extreme poverty, as suggested by the Special Rapporteur on this matter.

While recognizing the latest achievements in the promotion and protection of human rights, Brazil would like to recommend that Ireland:

a) address concerns about family reunification and the best interests of the child in its legislation on refuge; and

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b) ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Thank you.