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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Mr. President,

My delegation would like to thank the delegation of Thailand for their comprehensive national report and continued engagement in the UPR process.

The Islamic Republic of Iran commends the efforts of the Government of Thailand for the promotion and protection of human rights in the country, in particular, for drafting the 12th National Economic and Social Development Plan (2017–2021) and the 20 Year Country Strategy in an inclusive manner as well as approval of the 3rd National Human Rights Plan (2014-2018).

We welcome the progress achieved by the country in the area of poverty eradication, combating human trafficking, reversing the spread of HIV/AIDS and improving the human rights of persons with disabilities through taking measures to promote employment of persons with disabilities.

While we take note of these progress in the country we would like to recommend Thailand the following:

- To continue to address the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities by reducing stigma and discrimination against them in the society.
- To further intensify its effort to combat human trafficking and ensure protection to victims of human trafficking.

Thank you,