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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Mr. President,

Denmark warmly welcomes India’s delegation and thanks it for its presentation of its comprehensive report today.

Denmark commends that India has signed the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, and welcomes that India remains committed to ratify the convention as also confirmed by the acceptance of all recommendations to ratify at its last Universal Periodic Review. We furthermore welcome the process to clarify the implementation in relation to current and future legislation to ensure that India will join the 161 current State Parties to this Convention, which truly deserves to be universally ratified.

*Therefore, Denmark recommends the Government of India to intensify efforts to ratify the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment.*

I thank you.