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**Recommendations by Czechia**

**to ERITREA**

Czechia welcomes the delegation of Eritrea to the UPR.

We appreciate guaranteeing the enjoyment of the right to education and the right to health. However, we regret that our previous recommendations have not been implemented.

Therefore we recommend that the Government of Eritrea

1. Invite the UN Special Rapporteur against Torture for the country visit, ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture, and establish an independent National Preventive Mechanism;
2. Organize periodic and genuine multiparty elections in accordance with the international democratic standards, and invite the international organisations to observe the elections;
3. Protect freedom of expression, lift media censorship, release imprisoned journalists and protect journalists from arbitrary detention.

We further recommend that Eritrea

1. Transparently and credibly adhere to the rules of its National Military Service, especially its maximum length of 18 months.

We wish Eritrea every success in this UPR cycle.

I thank you.