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**Statement of Ireland**

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Review of Iran

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Ireland thanks the delegation of Iran for its presentation today.

Ireland is concerned by the continued harassment, arrest and arbitrary detention of human rights defenders, particularly women human rights defenders and those advocating for the rights of women and girls.

We are concerned by reports of continued discrimination against ethnic and religious minorities, including members of the Baha’i faith.

Ireland remains deeply concerned at the increased use of the death penalty in Iran.

Ireland recommends that Iran:

1. Establish a moratorium on executions and immediately cease the issuing of death sentences for individuals under the age of 18 at the time of their alleged crime, in line with Iran’s obligations under the Convention on the Rights of the Child.
2. Ratify and fully implement the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and ensure that the human rights of women and girls are fully respected, protected and fulfilled.

We wish Iran success in this UPR cycle. Thank you.