**Statement on behalf of the State of Israel**

**Universal Periodic Review**

**Islamic Republic of Iran**

Thank you, Mr. President.

Israel remains deeply concerned over the systematic and abhorrent suppression of fundamental human rights in and by Iran. The death penalty, targeting ethnic minorities such as Kurds, Bahai’i, Balochi, and Christians disproportionately, remains widespread. Women and girls continue to face relentless systemic violence.

Israel **recommends** that Iran:

1. **End the persecution of minorities and ensure equal access to education, employment, and social services.**
2. **Cease censorship online and offline.**
3. **Abolish the death penalty.**
4. **Revoke the 2023 regulations controlling the Iranian Bar Association.**
5. **Reject the "Bill for the Protection of Family" and ensure the full human rights of women and girls.**

Iran’s destabilizing actions across the Middle East contribute to further human rights violations. This must stop.

Thank you.