**UPR Working Group**

**Universal Periodic Review of Iran (Islamic Republic of)**

**Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova** 

 (*Geneva, 24 January 2025)*

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Mister President,

The Republic of Moldova welcomes the delegation of Iran.

We remain concerned about the human rights situation in Iran, including the considerable increase in number of executions, appalling human rights violations during the protests and lack of fair trial.

Republic of Moldova recommends:

1. Ensure accountability for cases of killings, torture and other human rights violations, occurred including during the peaceful protests;
2. Criminalize all forms of violence against women and ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
3. Engage and cooperate with the mandate of the Special Rapporteur and grant unhindered access to the country;
4. Take concrete measures for the creation of a national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principles;
5. Commute all death sentences and establish an immediate moratorium on death penalty with a view of abolishing it.

We wish Iran success for its review.

Thank you.

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