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**STATEMENT BY THE CZECH REPUBLIC**

The Czech Republic warmly welcomes the delegation of Ghana. We appreciate the informative presentation which gives an overview about the human rights situation in the country.

We make the following **recommendations**:

* Firstly, to establish before the next UPR review, national preventive mechanism in accordance with the OP CAT.
* Secondly, to ensure that victims of discrimination and violence based on sexual orientation and gender identity have access to rehabilitation and remedy and that all perpetrators are punished.
* Thirdly, to establish the Mental Health Fund as described in Mental Health Act 2012 and provide it with adequate funding. Prevent, investigate and prosecute inhumane treatment in prayer camps or witch camps and psychiatric hospitals. Address societal attitudes condoning such violations and abuses of rights of persons with mental disabilities.
* Finally, in order to establish a robust legislative frame for access to information adopt and implement the revised Right to Information Bill (“RTI Bill 2016”).

Thank you.