**37th session of the Universal Periodic Review**

**Review of Lebanon**

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**Statement by H.E. Mr. Christopher Grima,**

**Permanent Representative**

Thank you, President

Malta warmly welcomes the delegation of Lebanon and thanks it for the presentation of its national report. Malta welcomes the approval of the Strategic Plan for the protection of women and children, including against gender-based violence.

Malta would like to make the following recommendations to the Government of Lebanon:

1. Continue working to ensure that those affected by the blasts are provided access to adequate housing, food, water, and health care with all aid distributed fairly and impartially;
2. Take measures to further promote interreligious dialogue and tolerance of religious diversity.

We wish the delegation of Lebanon a successful review session.

Thank you.