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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Denmark welcomes the delegation of Ireland.

We commend the Irish Government on the legalization of abortion for non-life-threatening reasons. However, we regret that limitations remain, which impacts the individual rights and freedoms of women and girls.

*Denmark recommends the Government to ensure that the three-year review of the Termination of Pregnancy Act focuses on ways to expand access to voluntary termination of pregnancy, both in law and in practice.*

We welcome the improvements in the prison conditions. However, we note continued issues with overcrowding and lack of access to in-cell sanitation facilities.

*Denmark recommends**the Government to bring its prison conditions in line with the Nelson Mandela Rules.*

*Denmark also recommends the Government to ratify the OPCAT.*

I thank you.