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**UPR 40 – Sudan**

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Thank you, Mister President.

We thank the distinguished delegation of Sudan for their report and presentation.

Italy welcomes the recent ratification of the *Convention against Torture* and the *Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance*.

We would like to offer the following recommendations:

* *Adopt a de jure moratorium of capital executions and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR.*
* *Take measures to prevent all forms of torture - including ratifying the OPCAT - as well as enforced disappearances, arbitrary detention and extrajudicial executions, and ensure accountability for all violations and abuses.*
* *Ratify the CEDAW and enhance efforts to combat discrimination and violence against women.*
* *Enhance efforts to guarantee the rights of the children and protect them from violence, abuse and involvement in armed conflict. Outlaw corporal punishments.*
* *Create a safer and enabling environment for increasing levels of freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly and ensure accountability.*
* *Decriminalize consensual adult same sex relations.*

We wish Sudan a successful review.

I thank you.