**Statement**

**By**

**Mr.Majid Torkaman**

**Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

**41st Session of the UPR Working Group**

**Review of Finland**

**Geneva, 9 November 2022**

*In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful*

**Mr. Vice President,**

Iran welcomes the delegation of **Finland** to this UPR session.

Iran recommends Finland in a constructive spirt to:

Take effective measures to end the compliance with illegal unilateral coercive measures that are contrary to international law and international human rights;

Prepare a national plan to combat violence and discrimination against women and provide access and financial aid to support services, and strengthen cooperation between different government agencies.

Provide victims of violence access to effective remedies and means of protection and assistance and continue its efforts to provide law enforcement officials, prosecutors, judges and lawyers with appropriate training.

Ensure that children were not detained for immigration-related purposes and explore alternatives to detention that were appropriate for their age and specific circumstances.

Ensure that the law enforcement, security and judicial authorities have the necessary knowledge and skills to address hate crimes against asylum seekers, refugees and immigrants specially Muslims by providing mandatory training and guidelines, and amend laws specific to hate crime and hate speech, and raise awareness about its harmful effects.

Iran wishes **Finland** a successful review.

**I thank you Mr. Vice President,**