**HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL**

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**Adoption of the Universal Periodic Review Report of Brazil**

**Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova**

Mr President,

Allow me to welcome the distinguished delegation of Brazil to the UPR Working Group and thank them for the presentation of the National Report.

We commend the efforts taken by the Brazilian Government to implement the recommendations made during the previous UPR cycle and to advance its human rights agenda, in particular the adoption of the National Program to Combat Violence against Children and Adolescents and measures aimed at preventing and fighting Trafficking in Human Beings, especially children.

In a constructive spirit Republic of Moldova would like to make the following recommendations:

1. To undertake necessary measures in order to ensure protection and safety of journalists and human rights defenders, and to thoroughly investigate cases of harassment and killings of journalists.
2. To enact efficient legislation to fight hate speech, racism and discrimination against national minorities and vulnerable groups.
3. To provide access to affordable health care for all without discrimination.

Finally, we would like to wish Brazil a successful UPR cycle.

I thank you, Mr President.