Statement

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Mr. President,

The Islamic Republic of Iran warmly welcomes the delegation of Sri Lanka and thanks them for their insightful national report.

In the spirit of constructive dialogue, we would like to offer the following comments and recommendations:

1. We appreciate the positive outcomes of the Government of Sri Lanka in securing the economic, social and cultural wellbeing of its people in despite of challenges such as the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard, we recommend Sri Lanka to continue its efforts at promoting economic and social sustainable development and poverty reduction of the entire population.

2. We are so delighted that during reporting period, the OMP and the OR have become operational. We welcome also the victim-centric approach in their engagement with the public and recommend Sri Lanka to provide adequate resources to the above-mentioned mechanisms in order to perform their respective mandates efficiently and effectively.

Finally, Iran wishes Sri Lanka every success in its forth cycle of review.

I thank you Mr. President.