**UPR 43 – Tonga**

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***Statement by Portugal***

*Speaking time - 2’*

Chairperson,

Portugal warmly welcomes the delegation of the Kingdom of Tonga and thanks it for the presentation of its national report.

We commend Tonga for the establishment of the Social Protection and Disability Division at the Ministry of Internal Affairs as well as for having ratified the ILO’s Convention no. 182 on the worst forms of child labour.

Portugal recommends that Tonga:

- abolishes the death penalty;

- implements measures to further address low levels of vaccination coverage among children;

Portugal wishes Tonga a successful review.

Thank you

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