**UPR 43 – Romania**

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***Statement by Portugal***

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Chairperson,

Portugal warmly welcomes the delegation of Romania and thanks for the presentation of its national report.

We commend Romania for the adoption of three new Justice laws on the statute of prosecutors and judges, on judicial organization and on the Superior Council of Magistracy.

Portugal recommends that Romania:

- signs and ratifies the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

- adopts and implements further policies and measures to eliminate violence against women and domestic violence, in line with the Council of Europe’s Istanbul Convention;

Portugal wishes Romania a successful review.

Thank you

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