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**STATEMENT BY THE CZECH REPUBLIC**

The Czech Republic warmly welcomes the delegation of Israel. We appreciate the informative presentation which gives an overview about the human rights situation in the country. *We also thank the delegation of Israel for the comments on some of our advance questions.*

We appreciate the progress Israel achieved in several human rights areas. We also praise the conducive environment for the living of some minority groups, such as the LGBTIs. We encourage Israel to continue its efforts in the human rights area and we offer the following recommendations:

Firstly, to Accede to the OP CAT and establish national preventive mechanism accordingly.

Secondly, to issue a standing invitation to the thematic special procedures of the UN Human Rights Council. Allow visits of representatives of the special procedures of the UN Human Rights Council that requested without delay.

And finally, to review the relevant legislation and policy to ensure that all cases of administrative detention are in conformity with human rights law and standards.

We wish the delegation of Israel a succesful UPR.

Thank you.