**31st session of the Universal Periodic Review**

**Statement by Ireland on the review of Mexico**

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Ireland thanks the delegation of Mexico for its presentation today.

We also welcome the many positive developments since the second UPR cycle and we commend Mexico for its positive engagement on human rights issues in multilateral fora.

Ireland **recommends** the quick and effective implementation of the General Act on Enforced Disappearance of Persons, Disappearance Perpetrated by Individuals and the National Search System for Missing Persons, with sufficient opportunity for the participation of families of disappeared persons.

Ireland notes that the relevant institutions of the National Anti-Corruption System are not yet in place. We also note with concern that the 2017 Global Impunity Index stated that the conviction rate of reported crimes stood at just over 4%.

Ireland **recommends** that Mexico implements concrete mechanisms to tackle impunity, including the installation of the institutions of the National Anti-Corruption System, and ensures that investigations into reported crimes are conducted promptly and on an independent and impartial basis, ensuring that those who commit crimes (particularly violent crimes) are brought to justice and that victims are granted effective remedies.

Thank you.