**Statement of Hungary on Jordan**

**31st Session of the UPR Working Group, 8 November 2018**

**Mr. President,**

Hungary welcomes the delegation of Jordan and thanks for its national report and update. We deem it commendable that since the second review the Government has adopted a large number of national policies, strategies and plans that are compatible with human rights principles, as well as national, regional and international standards for the promotion of human rights. The adoption and supplement of the Protection from Domestic Violence Act No. 15 of 2017 with new provisions is highly valued as well. Jordan’s expanded work in eradicating poverty is much appreciated.

**Hungary recommends that the Government:**

* ensures that the prohibition of torture was absolute and non-derogable, in accordance with article 2 (2) of the Convention against Torture;
* allow all Jordanian women to pass on their citizenship to their children and spouses on an equal basis to Jordanian men;
* grant civilian prosecutors assume jurisdiction over and carry out effective investigations into allegations of abuse of detainees, including by having private meetings with prisoners also conducting regular inspections of prisons and
* take firm steps for the death penalty to be limited to only the most serious crimes, involving intentional killing.

Finally, the Hungarian Delegation wishes a successful UPR to the delegation of Jordan.

**Thank you, Mr. President!**