**Statement by Iceland**

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Mr. President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Cambodia.

Iceland welcomes the Royal Government’s positive steps to promoting human rights and its consistent support for the Khmer Rouge tribunal.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Introduce an anti-discrimination law which guarantees and explicitly prohibits all kinds of discrimination, including on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity and sex characteristics.
2. Introduce a gender recognition law.
3. Amend the constitution to ensure marriage equality for same-sex couples.
4. Abolish the discriminatory prohibition on women remarrying within 120 days following a divorce or annulment.
5. Align laws such as the Law on Associations and Non-Governmental Organizations, the Trade Union Law, the Law on Political Parties and the Telecommunications Law with international obligations.
6. Repeal provisions of the Criminal Code which can be used to restrict the freedoms of expression, assembly and association and decriminalize offences such as defamation.
7. Take all measures to protect and support journalists, human rights defenders, trade union workers, land and environmental activists and other civil society actors, and members of the political opposition.

I wish Cambodia all success for its review.

I thank you