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**Canada’s recommendations for Portugal’s UPR**

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Canada welcomes the generous approach taken by Portugal to address migration flows, as well as the innovative ways in which it has supported newcomers. We also welcome the positive measures taken by Portugal to protect the rights of LGBTI persons and recognize the steps taken to prevent and respond to domestic violence, as well as the legislative measures put in place to fight trafficking in persons and assist its victims in the context of its National Equality and Non-Discrimination Strategy.

Canada recommends that Portugal:

1. Make available adequate resources to improve housing conditions, particularly for marginalized groups.
2. Continue its effort to fight domestic violence, with the implementation of the Plan of Action contained in the 2018-2030 National Equality and Non-Discrimination Strategy, especially the measures that take aim at preventing femicides.
3. Increase the resources available to provide human rights and cultural awareness training to officers involved in proximity policing activities.

Canada would like to commend Portugal for the positive role it played as a member of the Human Rights Council from 2015 to 2017. Canada acknowledges and welcomes Portugal’s support for human rights at the United Nations.