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**Cazaquistão**

Projeto de intervenção de Portugal

Mr. President,

Portugal welcomes the delegation of Kazakhstan, and thanks it for the presentation of the national UPR report.

Portugal welcomes the establishment of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) and hopes for its full compliance with the Paris Principles. Likewise, we welcome the establishment of the Commissioner for the Rights of the Child and hope for the strengthening of the mandate and capacity of these two institutions.

Portugal takes note that Kazakhstan retains its moratorium on death penalty. However, we regret that the Criminal Code provides for the death penalty in 17 types of crime. Portugal recommends that Kazakhstan abolishes death penalty and signs and ratifies the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR.

Finally, Portugal recommends that Kazakhstan adopts legislation that criminalizes all forms of violence against women, including domestic violence.

Thank you, Mr. President.