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**Canada’s recommendations for Angola’s UPR**

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Canada thanks Angola for its presentation and takes note of notable reforms, including the positive legislative steps taken to protect persons with disabilities and the LGBTI community from discrimination.

Canada recommends that Angola:

1. Uphold individuals’ rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and association and to freedom of opinion and expression by continuing to address excessive use of force by law enforcement officers and by carrying out prompt, thorough, impartial, and independent investigations into cases of arbitrary arrest and detention.
2. Promote respect for religious minorities by reforming Law 2/04 on Freedom of Religion to conform to the provisions of the Angolan Constitution, as well as international human rights obligations.
3. Enact legislation to guarantee property rights, determine the circumstances and safeguards under which evictions can take place and ensuring that evictions are used only as a last resort and that evictees are provided with alternative housing and/or adequate compensation.