



Statement on behalf of the State of Israel

UN Human Rights Council UPR WORKING GROUP 22nd SESSION United States of America

Thank you, Mr. President.

We warmly welcome the delegation of the United States and thank them for their report presented before us today.

Israel congratulates the US for the significant progress made since its last UPR, and would like to highlight, among others, its Government-wide strategic action plan to assist trafficking victims and the Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

Additionally, Israel would like to recommend to the US the following:

- (1) To consider ratifying more Human Rights instruments.
- (2) To continue its efforts in preventing and prosecuting hate crimes.
- (3) To keep promoting progress in LGBTI issues, especially in preventing discrimination based on gender or sexual orientation.
- (4) To promote actions to eradicate sexual and domestic violence.

Israel wishes the US a successful UPR.

Thank you.