

Statement on behalf of the State of Israel

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Australia

Thank you, Mr. President.

We warmly welcome the delegation of Australia and commend Australia for the progress made since its first UPR, as reflected in the national report.

Israel welcomes the appointment of Commissioners on the topics of children and age, as well as the continuing efforts of the Australian Government to achieve a gender diversity target of 40% on Government boards.

Israel commends the adoption of the Workplace Gender Equality Act; the National Disability Insurance Scheme; the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children; the National Disability Strategy; and the National Action Plan to Combat Human Trafficking and Slavery.

Israel would like to recommend to Australia the following:

- (1) To ensure that states' legislation is consistent with the amended Sex Discrimination Act 1984.
- (2) To continue introducing measures needed to close the gender pay gap;
- (3) To continue its efforts for a full implementation, in all levels, of the National Disability Strategy.
- (4) To establish a supported decision-making framework in relation with people with disabilities.

Israel wishes Australia a successful UPR.

Thank you.