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**Statement on behalf of the State of Israel**  
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**Togo**

Thank you, Mr. President.

We would like to welcome the delegation of Togo to the Universal Periodic Review, and express our appreciation for the serious work put into the preparation of the national report presented today.

Israel would like to commend Togo in particular for the following measures it has taken in the field of human rights since its last UPR:

- The country's good cooperation with international and regional human rights mechanisms, in particular the UN treaty bodies.
- The pro-active policies implemented by the government to prevent torture, including the training of law enforcement representatives about the respect of human rights.
- The emphasis on political participation reflected in the holding of the 2103 elections for the National Assembly, and the 2015 presidential elections.

Israel would like to present Togo with the following recommendations:

1. To expedite the development of a national plan for human rights education.
2. To allocate resources to the capacity building of medical staff, with a view to reducing overall morbidity and mortality.
3. To join efforts with international partners in finding innovative solutions for efficient water management to ensure basic subsistence for all.

Thank you.