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## **Burkina Faso**

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Thank you, Mr. President.

Israel warmly welcomes the delegation of Burkina Faso to the UPR, and would like to thank it for its comprehensive national report. We commend Burkina Faso's commitment to an inclusive dialogue in preparation for this review, which demonstrates a commitment to the advancement of human rights, despite the political turmoil the country has known, and despite the many challenges it faces in the Sahel region, not the least of which is terrorism.

Israel would like to offer Burkina the following recommendations:

- 1. Proceed with the implementation of the national social security scheme with a view to providing health services to all without discrimination.
- 2. Reinforce the policies and programs designed to combat the social exclusion of people accused of practicing witchcraft.
- 3. Move forward with the translation of UPR recommendations into the national languages to ensure their wide public dissemination.

Israel would like to take this opportunity to wish Burkina Faso every success in its UPR.

Thank you.