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**Statement  
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Organizations in Geneva**

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Thank you, Mr. President,

Azerbaijan welcomes the delegation of Portugal to the third cycle of the UPR. We thank the Delegation for the comprehensive presentation of its national report today.

We positively note that since its last UPR, Portugal adopted several comprehensive human rights policy instruments. In this regard, we welcome National Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings (2018–2021) and National Strategy for Equality and Non-Discrimination “Portugal + Equal” (2018–2030).

We also commend all the efforts by Portugal aimed at accelerating the elimination of discrimination against women and promoting gender equality.

We recommend Portugal:

1. to raise awareness among the public, civil servants and law enforcement officials of the importance of cultural diversity and inter-ethnic understanding;
2. to sign and ratify the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families.

We wish the delegation of Portugal a successful review process.

I thank you.