



Statement by
the Republic of Slovenia
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Mr. President,

Slovenia thanks the distinguished delegation of Belize for their presentation today and for their dedication to the UPR process.

We wish to **recommend** to Belize to:

- adopt legislation with a view to prohibit all forms of corporal punishment of children and in all settings.
- extend an open invitation to the special procedure mandate holders.
- ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty.

Human rights education is an important subject for Slovenia and in this respect we welcome the efforts Belize made in this area, in particular to teach human rights education in an integrated manner in the National Primary and Secondary school's curricula.

While we welcome the fact that Belize ratified the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment and Punishment, we also noted that certain steps have been undertaken regarding the Belize's backlog in reporting to treaty bodies.

Thank you!