



**Statement of Ireland**  
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Review of the Republic of the Marshall Islands

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Ireland warmly welcomes the delegation of the Marshall Islands and thanks it for its presentation today.

Ireland acknowledges the efforts to advance human rights domestically and commends progress made since the last UPR cycle, particularly accession to a significant number of Core Human Rights Instruments.

Ireland commends the Marshall Islands for its efforts in its first term on the HRC to bring attention to human right issues in relation to climate change. Ireland was proud to work alongside the Marshall Islands last year on the Kwon Gesh pledge calling on governments to include young people in climate policy creation.

Ireland makes the following recommendations:

1. Take action at all levels to address sexual and gender-based violence, including ensuring adequate resourcing and training for relevant authorities and the incorporation of all provisions of the CEDAW into national law.

2. Establish an independent national human rights institution in full compliance with the Paris Principles, building on the findings of the scoping study conducted by the government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands in 2017.

We wish the Marshall Islands every success with this UPR cycle.

Thank you.