

30th session of the Universal Periodic Review
Review of the Federal Republic of Germany
Statement of Ireland
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Thank you, Mr. President

Ireland warmly welcomes the German delegation and congratulates Germany on its efforts to advance human rights domestically and the progress made. We are very pleased that Human Rights are a central focus of German foreign policy as stated in Germany's National report to the Human Rights Council.

Ireland welcomes the fact that since the last Review, Germany has established a monitoring office to oversee implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. It also acknowledges the entry into force of legislation in 2016 to improve the fight against human trafficking.

Ireland recommends that Germany continue to pursue action against hate speech and racist propaganda, and that it raise awareness of these at the federal and Länder levels.

Ireland also recommends that Germany continues to ensure that no individuals are exposed to the danger of torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment when extradited or deported.

We wish Germany every success in this UPR cycle.

Thank you