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Mr President

Ireland is a cosponsor of the draft resolution on the promotion, protection and enjoyment of human rights on the internet. This is an important resolution which affirms that the same rights which apply offline must also be protected online, including in particular freedom of expression.

Ireland does not support the amendment as proposed by China. The main sponsors have in any event included language in the draft resolution on the importance of combating advocacy of hatred and we consider this adequately and sufficiently captures the issues involved.

Thank you