

**UPR 22 – Libya**  
**Statement by Ireland**  
**13 May 2015**

Ireland welcomes the delegation of Libya and thanks it for its presentation.

Ireland is deeply concerned at the severity of the human rights situation in Libya. We urge Libya to hold accountable, in accordance with international standards, all those responsible for violations of international human rights law, humanitarian law and human rights abuses in its territory. We also call on Libya to cooperate fully with the International Criminal Court.

Ireland **recommends** that Libya immediately takes all necessary measures to ensure access to humanitarian assistance; and to protect civilians, including humanitarian workers, human rights defenders, and media workers, from attacks.

Ireland is deeply concerned at continued reports of torture and ill-treatment in many detention centres in Libya; as well as at the fact that armed groups remain in effective control of many places of detention. The high level of impunity reported is also of serious concern.

Ireland **recommends** that Libya takes all necessary actions to end torture and ill-treatment of detainees, ensure that all cases of alleged torture are promptly investigated and that perpetrators are held accountable.

We urge all parties involved in the dialogue facilitated by the United Nations to agree a sustainable ceasefire and a political solution to the conflict as soon as possible, so as to begin the process of rebuilding institutions that ensure the rule of law and the protection of human rights.

Thank you.