



**Statement of Ireland**  
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Review of Mexico

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Ireland thanks Mexico for its presentation.

Ireland acknowledges Mexico's efforts to address the issue of enforced disappearances since the last cycle, including by establishing the National Search Commission and local search commissions in all states. However, we remain concerned about obstacles preventing cases of enforced disappearance from being resolved and by the number of fatal attacks and reprisals against human rights defenders and journalists.

Ireland recommends:

1. Define the respective competencies of the Prosecutor General's Office, the federal and state specialized prosecutors' offices and the search commissions as regards the investigation of enforced disappearances and the coordination for the resolution of cases.
2. Ensure all states adopt investigation protocols for femicide and all cases of gender-based violence.
3. Ensure violent crimes are investigated in a prompt, thorough and impartial manner to prosecute perpetrators and ensure justice for victims.

Thank you.