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Mr. President,

I am speaking on behalf of the Charitable Institute for Protecting of Social Victims. Human rights, democracy and freedom of expression in Jordan are always seen as lost causes and human rights organizations inside and outside Jordan have constantly warned in this regard.

## Mr. President

I would like to draw the attention of the Council to the following cases of ongoing human rights violations in Jordan:

- Negative approach towards children's rights and continued negligence of the basic rights of orphaned children, and a rise in child labour, alongside the inattention of the authorities in this regard.

- Rise in the number of women without heads of household and the government and relative institutions disregard towards the problem, and also the spread of prostitution among these women.

- Daily rise in number of torture cases in Jordanian detention centres and prisons, which has increased the number of complaints made against the police and security services.

- Neglecting the rights of the disabled and the unemployed, and the government and relevant centres' inattention towards these groups of society.

- Rise in suicides in Jordan (400 per year in a country with a less than 7 million population), which shows unsuitable social conditions and human rights violation.

- Noticeable increase in the use of drugs over the last few years, and the daily spread of this phenomenon among the Jordanian youths.

- Rise in the number of complaints against civil and political, economic, social and cultural rights violations.

- Lack of proper investigation and processing of Jordanian citizen's complaints by the courts of the country.

- Strong and negative confrontation with Islamists and banning their social and religious activities.

- Violation of prisoners and detainees rights that include years of imprisonment without trial, long-term detentions and torture, before the case is sent to the prosecutor, and prevention of family visitations.

Mr. President,

This institute calls upon the Council to pay attention to the aforementioned cases in the Universal Periodic Review on Jordan, and to create effective implementing and guarantee mechanisms towards the improvement of the rights of the people of Jordan.