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**Regarding questionnaire on “The rights of persons with disabilities” – Human Rights Council resolution 37/22.**

In accordance with article 33 in the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), the Danish Parliament nominated The Danish Institute for Human Rights as the independent body monitoring the implementation of the CRPD in Denmark.

In addition, the Danish Parliament set up the Danish Disability Council in 1980, which consists of an equal number of representatives from public authorities and Organisations of Persons with Disabilities (DPOs). The Danish Disability Council acts as an advisory body to the Government and Parliament on issues relating to disability policy. The Council can take initiatives and propose changes in areas affecting the life of persons with disabilities and their living conditions. The Danish Disability Council also contributes to various campaigns, which aim to raise awareness surrounding persons with disabilities in society and promote understanding and respect for their rights.

Furthermore, the Danish Parliament has elected an Ombudsman to monitor the state and municipal authorities. The Danish Parliamentary Ombudsman can investigate complaints regarding public authority decisions, treatment of citizens of all ages, and in all cases including disability. The Danish Parliamentary Ombudsman may also take up cases on his own initiative and carry out investigations on the casework of public authorities.

Additionally the National Social Appeals Board is the appeals body for administrative decisions. The National Appeals Board is an independent state appeals body. Citizens can appeal the administrative decisions made by the municipal authorities to the National Appeals Board.

Finally, in May 2018 the Danish Parliament adopted a bill on cross-sectoral prohibition on discrimination of all persons with disabilities. The prohibition covers both direct and indirect discrimination of all persons with disabilities as well as harassment and reprisals. The new law makes it illegal for both public and private service providers outside the labour market to discriminate against a person due to a disability. The act provides persons with disabilities the opportunity to file a complaint with the Board of Equal Treatment.