• Austria aligns itself with the statement made by Israel on behalf of
  the co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the highest attainable
  standard of health of persons with disabilities.

• Austria welcomes the report and supports the draft resolution. As
  part of universal health coverage it will be of great support to
  Member States in improving the access to health services for
  people with disabilities. It will contribute to the ongoing
  implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons
  with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and the SDGs - leaving no one behind.

• An inclusive society needs to guarantee an accessible, non-
  discriminating health system for people with disabilities, including
  rehabilitation, assistive technologies and relevant information,
  which is even more important in the context of a crisis such as the

• We especially thank the secretariat for providing continuous
  valuable information during the pandemic such as the recent
guide on infection prevention and control for long-term care facilities in the context of COVID-19.

- Furthermore, we highly value the participation of people with disabilities and their representative organisations and welcome making progress in the collection of disability related data at international and national level.

- Austria is committed to the full implementation of the UNCRPD already through our National Action Plan 2012-2021, which already includes health related objectives including detailed measures. Currently, the new National Action Plan on Disability 2022–2030 is in preparation. We support the resolution that will guide us in our continuous work towards an inclusive society.

- Thank you!