STATEMENT BY THE AMBASSADOR OF ZIMBABWE, H.E. MR JAMES MANZOU DURING ALGERIA'S UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW: 29 MAY 2012

Thank you Madam President,

Zimbabwe warmly welcomes the brotherly delegation of Medela Algeria, and commends the frank and constructive National Report just presented.

We welcome the significant achievements Algeria has attained across the spectrum of civil, political, social and cultural rights. We also note the constraints and challenges highlighted in the report as well as Algeria's resolve to overcome them.

It is in this context that we recommend that:-

- where assistance is requested, the Human Rights Council should explore ways and means of assisting Algeria in bridging the gaps identified in the sphere of education, health and employment.
- Algeria continues to consolidate its legislative reform as well as programmes aimed at improving the basic standard of living of its people.

We wish Algeria all success.

I thank you.