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DRAFT INTERVENTION OF REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA IN OCCASION OF UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA

Excellencies,

Mr. President,

Let me welcome the delegation of Argentina on the occasion of the 14th session of the 2nd cycle of the Universal Periodic Review.

The Republic of Angola commends the continued commitment of Argentina to the human rights machinery. Angola welcomes the efforts made by Argentina in the promotion of human rights and fundamental freedoms and its ongoing commitment to international instruments of human rights.

Since its last universal periodic review Argentina has ratified several international instruments on human rights including the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty.

The Republic of Angola welcomes the legal reforms undertaken by the Argentina government that led to the creation of programs contributing to the promotion of economic, social and cultural rights, in response to the implementation of the recommendations accepted during the last UPR in the first cycle.

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We also welcome the commitment of the Argentine government in the field of promoting of gender equality in political and economic areas.

Angola encourages the Argentine government continued fight against discrimination of vulnerable and marginalized populations through the initiatives such as the creation of a Directorate aimed to oversee the rights of indigenous people and the creation of a National Institute Against Discrimination, Xenophobia and Racism (INADI).

In conclusion, my delegation would like to wish successful universal periodic review to the delegation of Argentina.

I thank you Mr. President.