



**STATEMENT**  
**BY**  
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Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of Gabon lead by Ms. Ida Reteno Assououet and appreciates the comprehensive report presented to the Council. We also commend the commitment of the Government of Gabon to Universal Periodic Review mechanism.

Ethiopia noted with satisfaction the implementations of high number of recommendations by the Government of Gabon. We commend the Government of Gabon for putting in place public policy in order to protect the rights of persons with disabilities, widows and orphans, children, and local communities and for its work with NGOs.

We encourage the Government of Gabon to continue with its effort in developing further the legal frameworks in line with the countries obligations under international human rights instruments.

**Thank you**