

Statement by Turkmenistan during the review of Djibouti UPR

(25 April 2013)

Thank you Mister President,

First of all we would like to extend a warm welcome to the distinguished delegation of the Republic of Djibouti to this session of the UPR Working Group and thank H.E. Mr Ali Farah Assoweh, Minister of Justice for presenting a comprehensive update on the efforts undertaken by the Government of Djibouti to improve the human rights situation on the ground.

We note with appreciation that the Government of Djibouti, in 2010, adopted a National Strategic Action Plan for Children in Djibouti, which aims to establish a protective environment for all children.

We welcome ratification by the Government of Djibouti in 2011 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

We welcome the efforts by the government of Djibouti for creating an enabling environment for the promotion and protection of human rights, i.e. independent judiciary, free media, vibrant civil society.

Mister President

To further accelerate the progress in areas of promotion and protection of human rights, we would like to propose the following recommendations:

- i. Concentrate on the implementation of the international human rights instruments that have been ratified by Djibouti.
- ii. Continue its ongoing review of national laws to ensure that they are in line with its international human rights law obligations.
- iii. Continue its efforts to accelerate the achievement of the MDGs targets.

Thank you Mister President.