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Mr. President,

Uganda welcomes the delegation of Djibouti led by the Honourable Minister of Justice H.E. Mr. Ali Farah Assoweti. We commend the Government of Djibouti for cooperating with the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and other International Organizations in the United Nations system and for conducting an inclusive process in the preparation of their report.

Uganda notes with appreciation the progress made by Djibouti in promoting Human rights since the last review, especially in the Ministry of Health which has led to the achievement of targets such as antenatal care, and reduction of maternal mortality. This significantly contributes to the promotion of good health of women and children.

Further, it is equally noteworthy that Djibouti has put in place the institutional and human rights infrastructure as well as policy measures, such as the establishment in 2011 of a legal and Judicial Reform Commission to augment its drive in ensuring better rights for its peoples.

We recommend that the Government of Djibouti increases the awareness campaign for the Government programmes and wish it success in its implementation of the strategic human rights agenda in conformity with the UPR requirements.

Thank You.