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REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



PERMANENT MISSION OF RWANDA
GENEVA

Human Rights Council
Universal Periodic Review of Germany, 25th April 2013

Statement by : Rwanda delegation

Thank you Mr President,

My delegation would like to thank the delegation of Germany for their comprehensive National Report and continued engagement in the UPR Process.

Rwanda Commends the efforts made by Germany since its first UPR, especially with regard to the normative and institutional framework for the protection of human Rights. We note with satisfaction the introduction of a stand-alone criminal offence of forced marriage and the adoption of a national Action Plan to implement the UN convention on the Rights of the Persons with disabilities.

Mr President,

My delegation takes positive note of Germany's efforts in improving the availability of data on criminal acts committed by police and law enforcement officials in the exercise of their duties. We commend the work of the

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German Institute for human Rights for its major contribution in promoting dialogue between the state and civil society.

Rwanda recommends Germany to ratify the following international instruments:

- *The UN convention against corruption*
- *The International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families.*

To conclude, Mr. President, Rwanda would like to offer its best wishes to the government and people of Germany in their future endeavours towards the promotion and protection of Human Rights at all levels.

Thank you Mr President