

**Statement****By****The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia****On the Universal Periodic Review of the Peoples Republic of China**

Ethiopia warmly welcome the delegation of China led by H.E. Mr. Wu Hailong, Special Envoy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China, to the 17th session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the national report and the oral update. We are also happy to note that China has implemented significant number of recommendations of the first cycle UPR.

We further note with appreciation the promulgation of the Outline of the Five-Year Plan and the National Human Rights Action Plan for 2012-2015, and the proposed ambitious goal to create a society in which moderate prosperity is universal by the year 2020.

We also commend the Government of China for vigorously sharing its experience and best practices in the areas of poverty alleviation, education, health, economic development and governance with other countries.

We encourage the Government of China to further improve the judicial safeguard mechanisms for human rights, and the level of human rights awareness as well as respect for rule of law in the exercise of administrative authority among law enforcement officials.

Acknowledging the positive developments and achievements in the promotion and protection of human rights, my delegation would like to recommend the following

1. To continue in its effort to promote and protect the rights of children including further action against on the abduction, maltreatment and abandonment of children.
2. To accelerate the spread of internet connections throughout the rural area.

Finally, my delegation wishes all the best to the delegation of China in their engagement with the Human Rights Council.