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**Mr. President**

The Lesotho delegation warmly welcomes the presence of the Chinese delegation to the 17<sup>th</sup> session of Working Group on the Universal Period Review. Lesotho appreciates the inclusive process undertaken by the Government of China in preparation of its national report with the active involvement of civil society.

Lesotho also welcomes the measures taken by the Government of China in the field of human rights, in particular the continuing efforts towards the protection of the rights of special groups of people, such as people living with disabilities, women and children. The enactment of the Law on Protection of the Rights and Interest of the Elderly is commendable indeed.

The Lesotho delegation further applauds China for having made substantive progress in the field of education.

**Mr. President,**

While noting the acknowledgement by the Government of China of the challenges that they face in the promotion and protection of human rights, Lesotho would like to make the following recommendation:

- Lesotho recommends that China continues to attach great importance to safeguarding the compulsory education rights of children accompanying rural workers migrating to urban areas;
- To continue its efforts to build a social security system.

**I thank you**