

**Statement by the delegation of Cambodia for UPR of Mauritius
At the 17th Session of the UPR-WG of HRC
23 October 2013**

Mr. President,

- 1- Cambodia welcomes and congratulates **Hon. Arvin Boolell**, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade and its delegations for presenting the Comprehensive National Report of Mauritius at the 17th Session of the second cycle of UPR process.
- 2- Cambodia takes note with appreciation of the progress made by the Government of Mauritius in implementing most of recommendations made in the first cycle of the UPR, which covers a wide range of issues presented with respect to the UPR recommendations.
- 3- We welcome steps taken by the country in ratifying numerous international instruments, especially the ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in January 2010, the Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography on 14 June 2011. Cambodia welcomes Mauritius's membership in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Mauritius signed on 13 August 2012 the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on Communications Procedure.
- 4- We welcome the programs and policies of the Government including the launch of the National Human Rights Action Plan of the Government of Mauritius for 2012-2020 and the National platform to end the gender based violence 2010-2015 "Moving the Nation Forward" which underlines developments in various sectors such as education, health, law and order, children, women, disabled, elderly persons, prisons, judiciary and social integration of vulnerable groups which remain high on the agenda of the Government.
- 5- We would like to make the following recommendations for the country:
 - To continue implementation of National Plan of Action, including social programs that aim at carrying out information and education activities with regard to people with disabilities and their social protection according to the relevant Convention which the country has ratified;

Thank you, Mr. President!