

CZECH REPUBLIC

17th UPR – STATEMENT ON MAURITIUS

Mr. President,

The Czech Republic warmly welcomes the delegation of Mauritius.

We commend Mauritius' submission in 2011 of the mid-term evaluation of implementation of recommendations from the first UPR cycle.

We welcome the adoption of the National Action Plan for Human Rights in October 2012. The Plan contains concrete commitments with deadlines. Furthermore, it creates a monitoring body – Human Rights Monitoring Committee.

Domestic violence, especially against women and children, remains one of the challenges for the Government of Mauritius. We **recommend** that Mauritius strengthen the cooperation with civil society in this area and establish a more effective system of help to victims.

We also **recommend** that Mauritius extend a standing invitation to all Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council.

I thank you, Mr. President.