

Statement by the Indonesian Delegation
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Mr. President,

My delegation extends its appreciation towards the delegation of Mauritius headed by (.....) for the presentation of their 2nd round UPR report and continued engagement with the UPR process.

My delegation views highly the underlying principle of "Putting People First" that Mauritius has chosen to guide them in all their actions, including in their bid to protect and promote the human rights of all its citizens. We commend the commitment of Mauritius to ensure the human rights of its people, despite constraints faced as a small-island developing country. welcome

Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the adoption of the National Action Plan on Human Rights 2012 – 2020 and the establishment of a multi-stakeholders Committee to monitor its implementation.

We are pleased to see that the Action Plan includes goals to secure the rights of children and further pleased to learn that the Childrens Bill, which will consolidate the various existing legislation on child's right and harmonize all laws in line with the CRC, is in its final stages of finalisation and is expected to be presented to the National Assembly by the end of the year. My delegation recommends that Mauritius continues its efforts to finalise and submit the Childrens Bill. In this regard.

Mr. President,

My delegation applauds the leadership Mauritius has shown in taking up the chairmanship of the Global Forum on Migration and Development Summit in 2012 under the theme "Enhancing Human Development of Migrants and their Contribution to the development of Communities and States" which placed people at the center of the discourse. This clearly shows the high commitment Mauritius attaches to the issue of migrants, including the protection of their rights. We recommend in this regard that the government of Mauritius reconsiders ratifying the Convention on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers and Members of their Families.

To end, my delegation would like to offer its best wishes for Mauritius's future endeavours aimed at the promulgation of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

I thank you.