



## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA

## Human Rights Council- 17<sup>TH</sup> Session of Universal Periodic Review UPR Statement of the Republic of South Sudan of UPR of the Republic of Mauritius 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2013

Mr. President,

South Sudan welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Mauritius to the second cycle of the UPR. We commend the national report which has reflected the progress made to promote and protect human rights; we note with appreciation the efforts made to reform political and legislative systems, in particular participation of women in policies and decision making processes at national and local levels.

We welcome Mauritius ratification of the Optional Protocol on the sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Child on Communication Procedure. We also welcome ratification of Mauritius to the UN Convention on the Right of Persons with Disabilities and commend on the Government vision to absorb employment of persons with disabilities in parastatal bodies, statutory board, committees and companies.

My delegation recommends that Mauritius continues its efforts to strengthening and combating child trafficking. And also calls on the international community to provide Mauritius with technical assistance and capacity building to strengthen promotion and protection of human rights.

I thank you,