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By

The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

On the Universal Periodic Review of the kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia led by His Excellency Minister Dr. Bandar Bin Mohammad Al-Aiban, Chairman of the Human Rights Commission in Saudi Arabia, to the 17th Session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the national report and oral presentation.

We note with appreciation the implementation of a number of recommendations and commitments to the Human Rights Council UPR mechanisms.

We acknowledge the efforts of the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's to provide basic services to its people, to protect human rights by way of development of its internal institutions, regulations and mechanisms, approve a program for the dissemination of a culture of human rights in the country. We also welcome the cooperation between the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other multilateral organizations in charge of Human Rights.

Noting the positive developments in the promotion of human rights in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, we would like to recommend to further work on various ministerial decisions and the implementation of monitoring mechanisms on protection of migrant workers from human rights violation.

We would also like to recommend that the Government take every possible measure to protect the legal and financial rights of expatriate workers in the Kingdom.

Finally, we wish success to the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in its endeavour to implement the recommendations of the Human Rights Council.

Thank you