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

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Statement of the Republic of South Sudan of UPR of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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My President,

*Human Rights Commission*

South Sudan welcomes the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia led by *President of the Saudi*

We commend the national report reflecting the progress made in the promotion and protection of human rights. We note the efforts being made to reform the legislative and judicial systems, in particular the participation of women in the legislative organ the Shura Council. This group is a devoted sample of respect of the right for women to participate in all governmental institutions on the national level.

We welcome the positive efforts of the Government of Saudi to regulate, and reform situations of domestic workers and persons of similar status. We also encourage the government to continue its engagement in obtaining more reforms.

In conclusion, South Sudan would like to encourage the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to remain committed to its obligations. We also recommend that Saudi Arabia should continue to provide more concern on discrimination against gender. Furthermore, Saudi Arabia should also continue more in its efforts in combatting discrimination against women.

We wish to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia success in the promotion and protection of human rights.

I thank you,