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**Statement**  
**By**  
**The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia**  
**On**  
**the Universal Periodic Review of Senegal**

Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of Senegal led by H.E. Mr. Sidik Kaba, Minister of Justice, to the 17<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the national report and comprehensive presentation. We note with appreciation that Senegal has implemented significant number of recommendations of the Human Rights Council 1<sup>st</sup> cycle.

We further note with appreciation Senegal's concerted engagement and cooperation with the universal periodic review mechanism of the Council.

We commend Senegal for setting institutional frameworks, including a multisectoral unit to coordinate and implement the national action plan and other initiatives to combat trafficking, the National Observatory on Gender Parity to monitor and evaluate parity between men and women and formulate proposals to promote parity in public policy.

We also applaud the commitment of Senegal to form a National Human Rights Advisory Council to promote and protect human rights as well as the promulgation of Social Policy Act in 2010 to protect the rights of persons with disabilities.

Noting the positive development in promotion and protection of human rights in Senegal, my delegation would like to recommend,

1. To accelerate efforts providing maternal and child health services, as well as to significantly reduce under five child mortality rates.
2. To further work on primary education enrolment.
3. To further strengthen the impartiality of the judicial system.

Finally, my delegation wishes all the best to the delegation of Senegal in their engagement with the Human Rights Council.

**Thank you**