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## Statement by the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on

## the Universal Periodic Review of the Union of the Comoros

We welcome the delegation of Comoros led by H.E. Mr. Abdou Ousseni, Minister of Justice for Human Rights of the Union of the Comoros to the 18th session of the UPR Working Group of the Human Rights Council. We thank the delegation of the Union of the Comoros for the comprehensive report and presentation to the Working Group.

We commend the Union of the Comoros for the adoption of the National human rights policy, which will strengthen national efforts to promote and protect human rights in the country. We note with appreciation Comoros's ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

We would like to recommend to the delegation of the Union of the Comoros:

- 1. to strengthen measures taken to ensure access to education and health care within the available means;
- to consider ratifying the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
- 3. to consider ratifying the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance.

Finally, my delegation wishes the delegation of the Union of the Comoros a fruitful deliberations in its engagement with the Council.

I thank you