



**On the occasion of the Universal Periodic Review of Eritrea  
18<sup>th</sup> Session of United Nations Human Rights Council**

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Mr. President

The Delegation of Uganda would like to take this opportunity to welcome and congratulate the delegation of the Eritrea for fulfilling its obligations by presenting its second comprehensive report on the Human rights situation in the Eritrea.

Uganda has noted the programme for economic Empowerment of women including micro credit schemes especially for the displaced women, the establishment of vocational training schools, and adult and continuing education where women constitute 95%.

Uganda has also noted that Eritrea outlawed FGM by proclamation 158/2007, and the Integrated Rural Development schemes focusing on construction of micro dams have been established.

Uganda further noted with appreciation the establishment of Nomadic Education Policy Framework in collaboration with multilateral agencies.

Mr. President, Eritrea still faces enormous challenges in the areas of: Economic, Institutional, <sup>USDA</sup> and adverse factors brought about by climate change.

We recommend that Eritrea:

1. Trains more professional health workers to fill the newly established health centres
2. Work with the International Community to reduce on the efforts of climate change.

THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT.