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Statement by the Eritrean Delegation on Bhutan's UPR 2nd Cycle

Mr President

Eritrea welcomes Bhutan's participation in the UPR process as an effective mechanism for cooperation and notes the following:

1. efforts and progress in National Development and impacts in the protection and promotion of human rights
2. continuous efforts towards achieving Education for All goals, children with disability being taken as a priority
3. its hosting of the First Regional Seminar on inclusive education for children with disabilities in December 2013
4. the notable development progress in the past two decades and the fact that it is also on track to achieve most of the MDGs by 2015
5. significant decline in poverty despite poverty still posing a major challenge

In the above stated context, Eritrea recommends the following:

1. Continue the ongoing efforts of promoting inclusive education
2. Intensify the progress made to eliminate poverty by identifying the critical bottle necks in the society
3. Continue to mobilize internal resources and capacity while strengthening cooperation with partners and UN agencies to address poverty challenges

In conclusion, Eritrea wishes Bhutan success and best wishes in its efforts to realize the goals of national development and implementation of the recommendations under the UPR 2nd Cycle.

I thank you Mr. President!