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Statement by Mr. Jaime Chissano, Minister Counselor of the Permanent Mission of Mozambique to the United Nations Office in Geneva, to the 19th Session of the UPR Working Group on the Côte d'Ivoire

Thank you, Mr. President,

At the outset, we would like to warmly welcome and thank the delegation of the Côte d'Ivoire for the excellent presentation of its National Report to the country's second UPR.

It is commendable that the report comprehensively outlines the activities undertaken by Government in the implementation of recommendations from the previous UPR.

Mozambique wishes to highlight that Cote d'Ivoire had to fulfil its obligations under UPR, amid consequences of a post - electoral political instability that the country had to endure in 2010.

In this vein, we wish to praise Cote d'Ivoire for the institution of Dialogue, Truth and Reconciliation Commission, aimed at fostering national reconciliation. It is also worthy noting the decision to draft a Legal Framework on the Identification and Compensation of War Victims.

In this context, we would like to congratulate Côte d'Ivoire for being the first African country to adopt a National Action Plan on Domestic and Sexual Violence against Women and Girls.

We have taken note with satisfaction of the adoption of the National Development Plan for 2012 -2015, as well as the National Strategy for Sustainable Development aiming at combating poverty and foster development, in the bid to attain the MDG's.

Finally, we would like to recommend Côte d'Ivoire to speed up the national reconciliation process, so as to consolidate the progress towards the enjoyment of human rights by its people, with the support of the international community.

Thank you

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