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Review of Ethiopia

Statement by Rwanda delegation delivered by Mr Moses Rugema

Thank you Mr. President.

1. Honourable Minister, let me warmly welcome you and your delegation and thank you for the presentation of your comprehensive report.
2. Rwanda commends Ethiopia for its continued efforts to enhance social, cultural and economic rights and the rights to development for its people. This is clearly illustrated by the robust economic growth Ethiopia has enjoyed and which in turn has significantly contributed to poverty reduction and considerable improvements in education, health and the empowerment of women.
3. We further commend Ethiopia's continued efforts to promote and protect human rights including through the Ethiopian Human Rights Commission.

Rwanda would like to make the following recommendations:

- ***Intensify efforts to build the capacity of law enforcement authorities on the basic rights of the citizens.***
- ***Strengthen measures taken at national level to ensure food security in the country.***
- ***Continue its existing efforts to implement the national strategy and Action Plan on the elimination of harmful tradition practices and FGM.***

We wish Ethiopia every success in the implementation of the recommendations of this UPR.