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Mr. President,

Republic of Serbia would like to thank to delegation of Ethiopia for their presentation of the National report in respect to the human rights situation.

We welcome the positive developments in upgrading the human rights standards by Ethiopia since the first UPR report in 2009. In this context, we commend the ratification of the Convention of Rights of Persons with Disabilities and encourage authorities to continue with effective implementation of international human rights obligations, particularly as regards to the protection of rights of children and women.

Having in mind the importance of the institutional framework for the advancement of the human rights situation in the country, we would like to offer to Ethiopia the following recommendations:

1. Further strengthen the capacity of the Ethiopian Institution of Ombudsman.
2. Continue providing international humanitarian law trainings to judges, prosecutors, the police and the defence forces,
3. Consider ratifying the African Union Convention for the Protection of and Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons in Africa;
4. Further strengthen the capacity of the Legal Protection Centre for Children to strengthen the administration of child justice.

Thank you, Mr. President

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