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**Statement by the Delegation
Of the Arab Republic of Egypt
At the 20th Session
Of the Working Group
On the Universal Periodic Review
Review of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
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Mr. President,

The Egyptian Delegation wishes to commend the positive and proactive approach adopted by the Plurinational State of Bolivia as regards the promotion of human rights in the country. This approach has been embodied in its being party to all international instruments that make up the International Bill of Human Rights, and the ratification of most of the inter-American human rights instruments, and its recent signing of the inter-American Convention against racism. Furthermore, the delegation positively notes Bolivia's efforts exerted in preparing the following stage of the National Human Rights Action Plan, as well as the anticipated adoption of the Patriotic Agenda, which aims at eradicating extreme poverty from the land.

The Egyptian Delegation urges the government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to pursue the same positive path, with a view to further developing the situation of human rights in the country; namely with relation to women empowerment and safeguarding child rights.

Hence, the Egyptian Delegation presents the following recommendations for the kind consideration of the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia:

- 1- Developing necessary programmes, in order to promote the economic and social development of women, especially in rural areas.
- 2- Safeguarding the rights of children and adolescents and enhancing the protection accorded to them against all forms of violence, including by – inter alia- the conclusion of the Five Year Plan for the Prevention and Gradual Eradication of the Worst Forms of Child Labour and the Protection of Adolescent Workers.
- 3- Protecting the social status of the family as the basic unit of the social structure.

I thank you.