



Human Rights Council-20<sup>th</sup> Session of Universal Periodic Review UPR  
Statement of the Republic of South Sudan on UPR of Arab Republic of Egypt

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Mr. President,

South Sudan warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Egypt to the UPR working group and thanks them for their national report.

My delegation wishes to recommend the following for the consideration of Egyptian delegation

1. Promoting the right to development through, inter alia, enhancing national efforts aimed at combating corruption.
2. Encouraging initiatives aimed at promoting respect and religious tolerance and cultural diversity.
3. Continuing efforts aimed at promoting awareness of the culture of human rights in the society.

South Sudan welcomes the implementation of the road map which is aiming to strengthen the democratic transformation by implementing the first and second stages of the road map in particular, the adoption of the amended constitution of 2013 and the conduct of the presidential elections. Therefore, we commend the ongoing process by Egyptian government to achieve the third stage by conducting the parliamentary elections in the coming future.

The process of allocation half of candidates on electoral lists for women and at least half of those appointed by the President is a commendable step towards empowering women in the People's Assembly.

My delegation recognizes that Egypt is facing challenges to fight terrorism, and notes with appreciation the measures that have been taken by government to combat all forms of terrorism in accordance to UN standard.

We wish all success to Egypt in implementing the second cycle of the UPR.

I thank you,