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**Statement by India**

**Mr. President,**

India warmly welcomes the delegation of Egypt led by H.E Justice Ibrahim Al Heneidy, Minister of Transitional Justice and thanks the delegation for the comprehensive National Report and oral presentation earlier today.

2. We congratulate Egypt for the adoption of the new constitution in January 2014 and welcome its recognition of international treaties ratified by Egypt as having the force of law after publication in accordance with prescribed conditions. We commend the Constitutional obligation to combat all forms of terrorism.

3. We appreciate the steps being taken to implement the national road map including measures to consolidate multi-party democracy and ensuring adequate representation of women in the People's Assembly.

4. We would like to offer the following **recommendations**:

(i) To continue the process of legislative review aimed at ensuring compatibility of the legal frameworks with the new constitution, with a view to guarantee civil and political rights, economic, social and cultural rights, and the right to development.

(ii) To continue implementing comprehensive programs and policies designed to foster economic empowerment of women.

(iii) To consider taking appropriate measures for the early passage of legislations necessary to hold parliamentary elections.

5. We wish the Government of Egypt all success in its endeavours to promote and protect human rights.

Thank you Mr. President.

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