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**Intervention by Mr. Deusdedit B. Kaganda, Acting Head of  
Mission, Tanzania mission to UN, Geneva, during the review on  
Madagascar**

**Mr. President,**

Tanzania delegation warmly welcomes the entire delegation of the Madagascar to the second cycle of its UPR review.

My delegation acknowledges the efforts by the government of the Madagascar in the fulfillment of its human rights obligation at both the national and International level. We take note that in spite of its commitments, Madagascar still faces a number of huge challenges such as poverty, cultural constraints, unemployment and financial resources which impedes the government's efforts to address the human rights challenges.

My delegation takes note of the efforts by the government of Madagascar and ~~other parties~~ with an objective to realizing and maintaining sustainable security and peace in the country in accordance with a road map signed by political parties, including the formulation of unity government and set up of the Independent National Electoral Commission, together with the appointment of its Commissioners to carry on the functions of the Commission. We encourage both political parties involved to effectively implement the agreed pledges under the agreement.

We are particularly pleased by the President's commitment to restore rule of law and good governance, to combat corruption and respect of human rights in the country.

We recommend,

1. the office for High Commissioner for Human Rights and the international community to continue providing meaningful assistance to the government of the Madagascar in the field of human rights.
2. The government continues to intensify its efforts to combating poverty.
3. The government continues reinforcing its efforts by supporting the most vulnerable and less privileged children to complete their studies.

I thank you,