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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND
OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

CONSIDERATION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW REPORT OF KENYA

22 January 2015

Mr. President,

Mauritius welcomes the Kenyan delegation led by Prof. Githu Muigui, Attorney General to the 21st Session of the UPR and thank him for the excellent presentation of Kenya's national report.

My delegation commends Kenya's commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights and the inclusion of a human-rights based approach in its Constitution. We welcome the important institutional reforms it has brought since its last review in 2010 to safeguard and uphold the pillars of democracy and fundamental freedoms.

Mauritius acknowledges progress on other key initiatives and policies aimed at eliminating discrimination against the most marginalised segments of Kenya's population, including *inter alia* the protection of children; the socio-economic empowerment of women; the inclusion of persons with disabilities; the right to adequate housing; universal access to education; and access to water and sanitation.

Finally, Mr President

My delegation recommends that the Government of Kenya expedite the operationalisation of the National Policy and Action Plan on Human Rights for more concrete actions in this regard.

I thank you Mr. President.