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**Statement of the Republic of Korea**

Thank you, Mr. President.

We welcome the consistent efforts of the Kenyan government to enhance the human rights situation. In particular, the new Constitution adopted in 2010 offers a basis for better protection and the fulfillment of human rights, improvement in political and governance structures.

In addition, the Kenyan government's continuous promotion of 'Vision 2030' is providing a high quality of life to all citizens and many positive opportunities for strengthening guarantees for basic and fundamental rights.

However, my delegation would like to make some recommendations as follows.

First, consider expediting the ratifications of the core human rights, including OP-CAT and ICCPR-OP1.

Second, make further efforts to properly handle the case of discrimination and violence against women, including the prosecution of alleged perpetrators.

Third, consider the human rights elements with regard to the amendment of the Security bill in the spirit of the new Constitution.

Finally, abide by the principle of non-refoulement and take steps to ensure that refugees/asylum seekers are not returned.

Thank you. /End/