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The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on the Universal Periodic Review of the Republic of Liberia

Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Liberia led by H.E. to the 22nd Session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the comprehensive and elaborated national report and the oral update. We note with satisfaction that Liberia has implemented a good number of recommendations from the first UPR cycle.

The report clearly identifies the priority areas, achievements, challenges and the way forward to further promote, respect and protect human rights in Liberia. We commend the launch of a long-term, comprehensive strategy for development, the National Vision: Liberia Rising 2030, the establishment of National human rights institutions and the Strategic Roadmap for National Healing, Peacebuilding, and Reconciliation, bearing in mind to transform the Country.

My delegation strongly believes that alleviation of poverty will enable states to better implement human and people's right. Thus, we would like to encourage the Government of Liberia to further strengthen its effort to tackle poverty.

My delegation would like to recommend Liberia to;

1. Continue combating FGM.
2. Ensure the effective implementation of the right to development by strengthening local capacity.

Finally, we wish all the best to the delegation of Liberia in its engagement with the Human Rights Council.

Thank you