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## STATEMENT OF VIET NAM

At the Review of the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle UPR Report of Mauritania  
at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of UPR Working Group  
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*Mr. President,*

Viet Nam warmly welcomes Mauritania to the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle of UPR and thanks them for the presentation of the report that highlights recent encouraging achievements in the fields of human rights in the country.

From the report, we greatly appreciate that Mauritania has adopted many measures in the protection and promotion of human rights, especially in accordance with supported recommendations from the 1<sup>st</sup> cycle. Outstanding also is the number of international legal instruments on human rights that Mauritania has signed, ratified or acceded to in the last 4 years, since the 1<sup>st</sup> UPR cycle. Viet Nam strongly believes that all these undertakings represent a firm commitment and tireless efforts of Mauritania in the field of human rights. Viet Nam wishes Mauritania every success in the implementation of these instruments, along with other accomplishments in this area.

With that in mind, Viet Nam would like to make following recommendations:

1. Further integrate measures of protection and promotion of human rights, especially economic, social and cultural rights, into the national socio-economic development strategies;
2. Take more steps to deliver human rights education in schools, and conduct human rights awareness-raising activities for public servants, in particular law enforcement officers.

I thank you./.