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Italian intervention

**UPR – Mauritania
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Thank you, Mr. President.

We welcome the distinguished delegation of Mauritania, and thank them for their presentation.

Italy appreciates the efforts made by Mauritania to promote and protect human rights and to address the multiple security and humanitarian challenges that the Country faces due to its geopolitical and strategic position.

Italy welcomes the implementation of the National Child Protection Strategy and the drafting of a Plan of Action to combat child labor. In this respect, Italy recommends to take all necessary measures to eradicate child labor and to enact and implement a suitable Action Plan. Italy also recommends that judges, judicial personnel, and civil servants who work to fight child labor are adequately trained, staffed and well resourced.

Italy welcomes the adoption by the Council of Minister of a national strategy for gender mainstreaming and recommends to promote a higher and adequate representation of women in the public institutions.

Italy also recommends to create the conditions for ensuring that religious minorities can fully enjoy their rights, without discrimination.

Italy welcomes the application of a de facto moratorium on the capital executions and recommends to consider adopting a de jure moratorium in view to abolishing the death penalty.

We wish Mauritania a successful UPR

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