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STATEMENT BY MAURITIUS AT THE 23<sup>ND</sup> SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP-

CONSIDERATION OF THE UPR REPORT OF NEPAL

04 NOVEMBER 2015

Mr President,

My delegation thanks Hon Kamal Thapa, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs for the comprehensive presentation of the national report of Nepal.

Mauritius recognises the challenges of Nepal following the disastrous earthquake that shattered the country in April last.

We commend Nepal for implementing most of the recommendations received during its first review through an Action Plan. We encourage Nepal to put in place the necessary mechanisms to reach its objectives.

We also take good note of the progress made in the areas of poverty eradication, human rights education, food safety and health.

We encourage Nepal to pursue further initiatives in favour of advancement of women and gender empowerment. In this regard, we note the low rate of women's employment in the public service sector and in other decision making process that prevents Nepalese women to participate fully in the economic development of the country.

We, therefore, Nepal to redouble efforts towards providing more opportunities for women's active involvement in the economic and political spheres.

I thank you, Mr President.