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STATEMENT BY MAURITIUS AT THE 23ND SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP-

CONSIDERATION OF THE UPR REPORT OF RWANDA

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Mr President,

My delegation thanks Hon Johnston Busingye, Minister of Justice and Attorney General for the comprehensive and detailed presentation of the national report of Rwanda.

We are encouraged to note the positive measures taken by Rwanda to implement most of the recommendations received during the first cycle. It has demonstrated its commitment, despite its limited capacities, to strengthen its institutional and normative frameworks to enhance human rights.

The adoption of the new legislation and the financial independence provided to the National Commission for Human Rights of Rwanda was indeed essential to ensure its autonomy in carrying out its mandate and to further promote advocacy on human rights.

We commend Rwanda for the initiatives to ensure access to education for all, in particular the "one laptop per child" project. We also note the laudable measures taken with regard to health care services which have contributed to the remarkable decrease in the malaria death related cases and maternal and infant mortality rate .

Mauritius wishes to make the following two recommendations to Rwanda:

- (i) Continue to implement health policies that guarantee the right to health for all ;
and
- (ii) Accelerate efforts in the adoption of the National Human Rights Action Plan .

I thank you, Mr President.