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Statement of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on the UPR of Sao Tome and Principe

Mr. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Sao Tome and Principe and thanks for the introductory remarks.

We note during the period under review, significant progress on human rights issues achieved. In this regard we highlight the adoption of the poverty reduction strategy plan 2012-2016 and the achievements so far.

The commitment of Sao Tome and Principe for the fulfilment of the Economic Social and Cultural rights of its people with the allocation of budgetary increase in the progress of education and health is commendable.

In conclusion, we forward the following recommendations to the kind consideration of the government of Sao Tome and Principe.

- 1. submit overdue reports to treaty bodies
- 2. continue working on improvement of quality of education

I thank you.