

**Permanent Mission of the Republic of Djibouti to the United Nations**

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**Review of Belgium**

Thank you Mr. /Ms. (Vice-) President,

Djibouti would like to welcome the delegation of Belgium and thank them for the national report provided to the Working Group.

We appreciate positive steps taken in the protection and promotion of human rights since the first review.

Mr. President, we offer the following recommendations:

- 1) To accelerate and strengthen legislative and educational actions to combat discrimination in all its forms
- 2) To enhance its efforts to prevent prison overcrowding
- 3) To ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

The Republic of Djibouti wishes Belgium a successful UPR.

I thank you.

**Ms. Agnese Accapezzato**