

Statement by the Delegation of Thailand

Ambassador Thani Thongphakdi Permanent Representative of Thailand at the Review of Mozambique

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Mr. President,

Thailand welcomes the delegation of Mozambique to the second UPR Cycle. Despite the devastating natural disasters faced by the country last year, Mozambique should be commended for the progress made in implementing the recommendations since the first UPR Cycle, in particular the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Thailand also congratulates Mozambique for its comprehensive plan to fight against HIV/AIDS. We stand ready to explore further avenues of cooperation to support Mozambique to end the AIDS epidemic, as well as to promote the right to health in the country. Here, Thailand <u>recommends</u> Mozambique to continue its efforts to improve health services, especially for vulnerable women and children with HIV/AIDS.

Moreover, Thailand <u>recommends</u> Mozambique to intensify its effort to ensure that national prison rules and policies are in line with the revised Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners or the Nelson Mandela Rules.

Lastly, Thailand appreciates Mozambique's effort to strengthen the protection of women and children through various legislative revisions.

I thank you, Mr. President.