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Mr. President,

Egypt welcomes the delegation of Seychelles and would like to thank its members for the insightful presentation. We congratulate the Government of Seychelles on all its efforts exerted in implementing the outcome of the first cycle of the UPR.

Egypt commends the progress achieved by the Government of Seychelles in the areas of rights of child, women, Trafficking in persons, Persons with Disabilities, political participation, employment, education and health. We aknowledge the commitment by the Government to the promotion and protection of human rights for its citizens, the establishment of the Seychelles Human Rights Treaty Committee and the implementation of a national legal and policy framework on trafficking in persons.

We are also encouraged by the development of a five year National Action Plan on Human Rights focusing on national human rights institution; human rights education; vulnerable groups; civil and political rights; social, economic and cultural rights; and environmental rights.

Egypt recommends the following for the kind consideration of the Government of Seychelles:

- 1- To step up national efforts in combating all forms of human trafficking.
- 2- To continue efforts aiming at enhancing human rights education including training and capacity-building for the public sector.
- 3- To further strengthen measures to provide protection and support to the family as the natural and fundamental unit of the society.

I thank you.