

**KINGDOM OF SWAZILAND STATEMENT TO THE 24TH  
SESSION OF THE UPR ON SIERRA LEONE PRESENTED BY  
THE HONOURABLE MINISTER FOR JUSTICE AND  
CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS, SENATOR EDGAR HILLARY, AT THE  
HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL,  
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND – 27 JANUARY 2016**

**MR. PRESIDENT,**

**THE DELEGATION OF THE KINGDOM OF SWAZILAND WARMLY WELCOMES THE DELEGATION OF SIERRA LEONE LED BY THE HON. MINISTER FOR JUSTICE , MR. JOSEPH KAMARA.**

**WE NOTE WITH APPRECIATION THAT THE REPORT REFLECTS A NUMBER OF AREAS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE HAS COVERED FOLLOWING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP HANDED DURING THE FIRST CYCLE IN 2011.**

**MY DELEGATION, MR. PRESIDENT, IS ALSO ENCOURAGED BY THE PROGRESS MADE BY SIERRA LEONE IN ADDRESSING MOST OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AMONG OTHERS THE AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION ACTS NO. 6 OF 1991.**

**THIS DEMONSTRATES THE SERIOUSNESS AND COMMITMENT THE GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE ATTACHES ON THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES.**

**THE KINGDOM OF SWAZILAND IS PARTICULARLY PLEASED THAT SIERRA LEONE HAS MADE GREAT STRIDES IN PROMOTING GENDER EQUALITY AND AS SUCH, HAS SIGNED NINE AND RATIFIED SEVEN OF THE UN TREATIES - AS PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF YOUR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION.**

**MR. PRESIDENT, SWAZILAND WISHES THE DELEGATION OF SIERRA LEONE SUCCESSFUL DELIBERATIONS.**

**I THANK YOU**