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Statement

By

The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on the 2nd Universal Periodic Review of Sierra Leone

Mr. President,

Ethiopia welcomes the delegation of Sierra Leone led by H.E. to the 24th Session of the UPR Working Group. We thank the delegation for the comprehensive report and oral update provided to us. We appreciate the positive steps taken by the Government of Sierra Leone to implement the accepted recommendations from the first UPR cycle.

We also commend the Government's efforts in taking concrete measures in the promoting and protecting human rights in Sierra Leone, through progressive constitutional amendments for gender equality, youth development and addressing corruption.

Ethiopia further appreciates the Sierra Leonean government for its successful battle to end Ebola Virus Disease and its commitment to take resilient measures against the disease after receiving the hardest hit of the outbreak.

My delegation would like to recommend Sierra Leone to;

1. To further continue improving health infrastructural institutions to withstand diseases like the Ebola pandemic.
2. To make further improvements in the socio-economic conditions with the view to promoting human rights in the Country.

Finally, we wish all the best to the delegation of Sierra Leone in its engagement with the UPR Working Group.

Thank you