



THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

**UGANDA**

**STATEMENT BY:**

→ **AMBASSADOR BENEDICT LUKWIYA  
DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE,  
PERMANENT MISSION OF UGANDA**

**AT**

**THE 24<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP  
ON THE REVIEW OF SINGAPORE**

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Mr. President,

Uganda welcomes the participation of Singapore in the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle of the UPR and commends the government for having implemented new policies and programmes that address many of the recommendations from the first UPR. In particular, we note the progress made in the areas of education, public health, caring for the elderly and maintaining religious tolerance and harmony.

Regarding Singapore's international obligations, we however note that many relevant international instruments still require ratification including the Conventions relating to the Status of Refugees and Stateless Persons among others.

We conclude by making the following recommendations to the government:

1. To establish an independent national human rights institution with a wide mandate to protect and promote the rights of women.
2. To ensure that the Compulsory Education Act provides for children with disabilities.
3. To enforce employers' obligation to provide medical treatment to migrant workers and review laws and regulations that call for immediate and automatic deportation of migrant workers on health grounds.

I thank you.