

## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA

Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review 25<sup>th</sup> Session

## PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Mr. President,

Timor-Leste warmly welcomes the members of the Delegation of Papua New Guinea and thanks them for their participation at the 25<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR Working Group.

Timor-Leste commends Papua New Guinea for their National Policy on Disability as well as for the adoption of the Family Protection Act, which criminalized domestic violence.

My delegation notes with appreciation the establishment of a juvenile justice system focusing at restorative justice as an alternative to imprisonment. We also emphasize the country's efforts in promoting and strengthening children's rights.

Timor-Leste takes this opportunity to make the following recommendations:

- That Papua New Guinea launches awareness-raising campaigns focusing on women's rights
- That Papua New Guinea ratifies the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel. Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

I thank you Mr. President.