**26 Session of the UPR Working Group**

**Statement of the Sudan**

**Review of Iceland**

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**Mr. President,**

 **The delegation of the Sudan welcomes the distinguished delegation of Iceland to the 26 Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group and thanks the honorable Permanent Secretary –Ministry of Interior for the comprehensive presentation of the National report.**

 **My delegation commends the commitments and positive engagement of Iceland to the UPR process and appreciates the positive steps taken since the last review in 2011 in particular the judicial reforms regarding the adoption of legislation in 2016 that established a third instance- a court of appeal to enable a second hearing of the statements witnesses and defendants and the recent ratification of the United Nation Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities CRPD in September this year and the ratification of the International Labor Organization core convention.**

 **In conclusion my delegation would like to present to Iceland the following recommendations**

 **To continue its efforts to adopt the National action plan on human rights and to establish of an independent national human rights institution in line with the Paris principles.**