

**THE 44TH SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP ON UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR)**

**KENYA’S STATEMENT ON CUBA**

**Thank you, Mr. President.**

Kenya warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Cuba to this 4th Cycle of UPR process.

My delegation applauds Cuba for its adoption of new Constitution in 2019, the creation of a National Commission to combat racism and racial discrimination and commend it for the robust women representation in the public service and participation in decision making processes and urge it to continue raising awareness on gender-based and family violence.

**In a constructive spirit, Kenya makes the following recommendations for consideration:**

1. Increase its efforts to provide the social protection programs to guarantee an adequate standard of living for persons living with disabilities.
2. Finalize the review of the National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Protection of Victims.

Kenya wishes the delegation of Cuba a very successful UPR process.

**I thank you.**