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**STATEMENT OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS, GENEVA DURING THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF the RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**13 November 2023– 14 30 hrs**

Chair,

The Mauritius delegation thanks the Russian Federation for the presentation of its report.

We note that the report reflects the results of the work undertaken to further strengthen the regulatory and structural framework for the promotion of human rights and to implement the recommendations that Russia accepted under its voluntary commitments

following the submission of its last national report.

We equally acknowledge the constructive and outcome-driven discussions which took place during the 2023 Russia-Africa Summit in St Petersburg spanning the need for peace, dialogue and the wide range of development areas.

We encourage Russia to uphold its obligations, under international law, in particular the

international human rights law and international humanitarian law.

In a constructive spirit and among the many measures that Russia would be taking to upholding human rights, we recommend that Russia consider enforcing its national law

with respect to the legal minimum age for marriage at 18, as recommended by CEDAW.

We wish the Russian Federation a very successful review.

Thank you.