**45th SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**

**MAURITIUS**

Wednesday 24 January 2024, 09:00 – 12:30

Declaration of the Delegation of Cabo Verde

Thank You Mr. Vice President,

Cabo Verde would like to thank and congratulate Mauritius for its efforts and results achieved in implementing the recommendations from the previous three cycles. We particularly salute Mauritius’s commitment to the elimination of gender-based violence, efforts to protect the rights of children, and the introduction of free primary education.

In a constructive spirit, Cabo Verde recommends the following:

1. Continue to bring the child justice system fully into line with the Convention on the Rights of the Child and other relevant standards.

2. Maintain the provision of free education from pre-primary to tertiary institutions.

3. Provide the National Human Rights Commission with an explicit mandate to protect and promote economic, social, and cultural rights and further strengthen its independence and effective functioning.

We wish Mauritius every success in its Review

I thank you.