

**45 Session of the UPR working group**

**Recommendations by Finland to Mauritius**

**24th January 2024**

Thank you Mr. President,

Finland appreciates the engagement of Mauritius in the UPR process and the progress made since the last review. We note the declaration by the Supreme Court of Mauritius in October 2023 that legislation criminalizing same-sex relations is unconstitutional.

In a constructive spirit, Finland recommends the following:

1. First, to repeal Section 250(1) of the Penal Code and decriminalize same-sex relations
2. Second, to consider signing and ratifying the International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced Disappearance
3. Third, to extend an open and standing invitation to all Special Procedure mandate holders.

We wish Mauritius a successful UPR review.

I thank you.