

**Statement delivered by Sumbue ANTAS**

**Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Vanuatu**

**at Cyprus’ Review, 46th Session of the UPR,**

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Dear President,

Vanuatu welcomes the delegation of Cyprus and thanks the delegation for the presentation of its national report.

Vanuatu recognises Cyprus' forward-thinking approach in facilitating access of persons with disabilities to healthcare services and also to the labour market.

Vanuatu acknowledges Cyprus' efforts in strengthening multicultural communication through events, and remaining close to communities and minorities representatives thanks to Community Police Officers.

Vanuatu encourages Cyprus' to pursue combating sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children. And also for taking care of sexually abused children through Children's House Program.

In a constructive spirit, Vanuatu encourages Cyprus expanding its efforts to safeguard and celebrate Cyprus's rich cultural diversity while fostering inclusivity for all, including those with visual impairments.

Vanuatu wishes the delegation of Cyprus a successful UPR.

I thank you.