**STATEMENT BY THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SINGAPORE AT THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR) OF ERITREA AT THE 46TH UPR WORKING GROUP, 6 MAY 2024**

Mr President,

Singapore welcomes the participation of Eritrea in the UPR process and commends its progress since its 3rd review.

We commend Eritrea on the considerable progress it has made in improving access to basic health care services. We note that 70 percent of Eritrea’s population lives within a 5km radius of a health facility. We further commend Eritrea on the release of hospital clinical policy, guidelines, and protocols, including the development of the Eritrea Essential Health Care Package. **Singapore recommends that Eritrea continue to strengthen its healthcare system.**

Singapore welcomes the updating of the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities in 2021 and the provision of training for Community-Based Rehabilitation and Development program workers. It is vital that persons with disabilities are able to participate meaningfully in the society and economy. **Singapore recommends that Eritrea continue to enhance its measures to ensure the welfare of persons with disabilities.**

We hope our recommendations will be favourably considered. Thank you.

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