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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 NORTH MACEDONIA**

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**Chair**,

The Mauritius delegation extends a very warm welcome to the high level delegation of North Macedonia, attending this fourth cycle of the UPR. We welcome the progress made by North Macedonia since their last review.

We congratulate North Macedonia for the efforts in promoting and protecting women’s rights and the implementation of various policies and campaigns to combat gender-based violence.

In a constructive spirit, we would like to recommend that North Macedonia:

1. Continue its progress in ensuring access to education for all, in particular those in rural areas; and
2. continue its efforts to enhance access to primary health care for all and ensuring coverage in rural and remote areas.

We wish North Macedonia a successful review and continued progress.

**Thank you.**