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**Statement by the Delegations of Somalia,**

**Mr. Hussen Abdi Musa, First Counsellor**

**at the Review of** **the Republic of Mauritania, during the 37th Session of the UPR Working Group on Monday, 19, 2021 from 9:30AM to 12:30PM, in the Assemble Hall of the Palais des Nations in Geneva (Speaker Number 87, Time: 1 minute 05 second**

**Thank you, Madam President.**

Somalia warmly welcomes the delegation of Mauritania to this UPR cycle and appreciates the presentation of its national report.

My delegation congratulates Mauritania for its remarkable efforts to improve the human rights situation in the country since its last review.

Somalia also congratulates Mauritania on having accepted the 140 recommendations of the second cycle of the UPR.

We welcome the government’s efforts to align its national legislations with its international human rights obligations with the aim of providing legal guidance to the country's judicial system and to enhance the rights of its citizens.

In a constructive spirit, Somalia recommends Mauritania:

1. To ratify the UNESCO Convention against discrimination in education.
2. To provide the National Mechanism for the Prevention of Torture with adequate human and financial resources for its effective functioning.
3. Increase the budget allocated to the implementation of the national action plan to combat trafficking in person.
4. Promote the rights of refugees and migrants by providing legal advice, and integration support.

We wish Mauritania a very fruitful review

I thank you Madam President.