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**THE UPR WORKING GROUP ON SEYCHELLES**

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Mr. President,

We welcome the distinguished delegation of Seychelles for the submission of their comprehensive country’s Report.

Mozambique praises Seychelles for the progresses made on implementation of the recommendations from the second cycle of UPR.

Mozambique offers the following recommendations to Seychelles:

1. Take necessary measures to ensure the independence of the Seychelles Human Rights Commission, and allocate adequate human, technical and financial resources to it;
2. Continue with the efforts to combat violence against all groups of children in vulnerable situations;
3. Advance women’s protection and continue to promote gender parity in appointed and elected positions.

We wish Seychelles every success in the present UPR exercise.

Thank you, Mr President!