**38th Session of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR)**

**Kenya’s Statement on Seychelles**

**Thank you, Madam Vice-President**

Kenya congratulates Seychelles on the comprehensive national report and welcomes the positive steps taken in promoting and protecting human rights including in strengthening the special education programme for children with disabilities and enacting the Domestic Violence Act in 2020.

**Kenya recommends the following:**

1. Redouble efforts in reviewing the Penal Code to safeguard young girls below the age of 18 years from sexual offences
2. Continue implementing the National Gender Policy to break gender barriers and allow citizens to reach their full potential
3. Adopt necessary measures to ensure effective inclusion of children with disabilities within the mainstream schools through requisite advocacy programmes

Kenya wishes the delegation of Seychelles a successful UPR.

**I thank you.**