**UGANDA DELEGATION STATEMENT AT THE UPR OF MOZAMBIQUE, GENEVA, MAY 2021**

**Thank you, President,**

Uganda welcomes the delegation of Mozambique and thanks them for their continued engagement in this process.

Considering the adverse impact of challenges faced by the country since their last review, including climate change, substantive progress has been made by the government in implementing the recommendation that were previously accepted. We commend the government for the ratification of international and regional instruments in that regard.

We note that the criminal and judicial systems are undergoing reforms and we encourage the Government to sustain these efforts to ensure the protection of the rights of accused persons.

Uganda makes the following recommendations:

1. Consider the establishment of noncustodial sentences to avoid overcrowding of detention facilities.
2. Institute measures to protect persons with albinism from kidnapping and trafficking.

We wish Mozambique a successful review.

I thank you.