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**THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA**

**Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Somalia to the United Nations Office at Geneva** and other International Organizations in Geneva

**Statement by the Delegations of Somalia,**

**Mr. Salah ABUBAKAR, Second Counsellor**

**At the Review of South Sudan at the 40th session of the UPR Working Group on Monday 31, January from 09:00-12:30 PM, in the Assembly Hall of the Palais des Nations**

**in Room XX, Geneva.**

Thank you, Mr. President,

The Federal Republic of Somalia welcomes the delegation of the Republic of South Sudan and their outstanding country report presented by **Hon. Justice Ruben Madol Arol, Minister of Justice and Constitutional Affairs of the Republic of South Sudan.**

Somalia appreciates South Sudan’s commitment to make progress on the promotion and protection of Human Rights and continued effort in Cooperation with International, Regional and National mechanisms.

**Somalia Recommends the following:**

* Strengthen South Sudan’s National Human Rights Commission and its mandate.
* Increase the national budget allocation to the health and education sectors.
* Prioritize under taking consensus to prepare free and fair elections.

We wish the **Republic of South Sudan** a successful UPR review

I Thank you Chair.

January 31, 2022