

**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE
TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA**

Universal Periodic Review

Moldova

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Mr. President,

Timor-Leste welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Moldova and thanks them for their participation in the 3rd cycle of the UPR mechanism.

Timor-Leste notes with appreciation the efforts made by Moldova to strengthen the promotion and protection of human rights in its country.

This commitment is reflected in several measures undertaken by Moldova in recent years, such as: the adoption of the National Human Rights Action Plan for 2018-2022, the establishment of the National Human Rights Council, as well as the approval of the Civil Society Development Strategy for 2018-2020 and the implementation of the Action Plan on the support for the Roma population for 2016-2020.

Before concluding, Timor-Leste recommends that the Republic of Moldova:

1. Takes further steps to ensure the independence, impartiality, accountability and transparency of the judiciary,
2. Steps up its efforts to combat poverty.

We wish the Republic of Moldova a successful review.

I thank you Mr. President.

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