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**GENEVA, NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

**Mr. President,**

We warmly welcome the distinguished delegation of Tunisia for the submission of their country’s comprehensive report.

Mozambique praises Tunisia for the progress made on the implementation of the recommendations received from the Third Cycle of UPR in 2017.

We commend Tunisia for the efforts made by its Government in recent years for the ratification of various international and regional instruments in the field of human rights.

Mozambique recommends Tunisia the following:

1. To take measures to accelerate the implementation of the reform program announced in June 2022, which include the country development plan for 2023-2025; and
2. To continue with its efforts to abolish the death penalty for all crimes.

Mozambique wishes Tunisia every success in the present UPR review.

**Thank you, Mr. President**