**STATEMENT BY MRS. LAURINDA SAIDE BANZE, COUNSELLOR AT THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE TO UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA TO 41st SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP ON FINLAND**

**GENEVA, NOVEMBER 9, 2022**

**Mr. President,**

We welcome the delegation of Finland for the presentation of their fourth National Report of the UPR.

Mozambique commends the Government of Finland for the measures taken to implement the recommendations made in the 3rd cycle of the UPR, especially, for the adoption of the Action Plan 2021-2023 to combat racism and promote good relations.

In a constructive spirit, we offer Finland the following recommendations:

1. To continue implement actions to prevent exclusiveness;
2. To take measures to improve the legal assistance provided to asylum seekers; and
3. To enhance the efforts against racial discrimination.

We wish Finland every success in the present UPR exercise.

**Thank you, Mr.President !**