**Statement by Daniel Kottut on Djibouti, 30th Session of Universal Periodic Review (UPR), GENEVA, 10th May 2018.**

**Thank you, Mr. Vice President,**

Kenya warmly welcomes Djibouti to their UPR review. We thank them for their concise national report on the progress of implementation of human rights since the second review.

Our recommendations are:

1. Improve conditions in prisons
2. Issue a standing invitation to United Nations Special procedures mandate holders and welcome them to visit.
3. Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.
4. Improve health-care infrastructure by access to emergency obstetric care, increase the number of trained health professionals and resources devoted to maternal health with particular focus to women from poor and rural backgrounds.

Kenya wishes Djibouti the very best as they continue to undertake steps to improve the implementation of human rights for all.

I thank you