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**REPUBLIC OF SEYCHELLES**

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*Statement delivered by Ms Gayethri M Pillay, Chargé D’affaires/Counsellor*

Thank you, Mr President.

Seychelles welcomes the distinguished delegation of Comoros and thanks them for their informative national report and interventions thus far.

Seychelles recognizes the positive steps taken since Comoros last UPR review, including acceding to the Convention on the Right of Persons with disabilities and the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Seychelles puts forward the following **two recommendations:**

1. First, to become a party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;
2. Second, Seychelles recommends that legislative and administrative measures are put in place to ensure that primary education is free and compulsory for all, whilst adopting an inclusive approach covering all genders, children from urban and rural areas and children with disabilities.

Seychelles wishes the delegation of Comoros a fruitful session ahead.

Thank you, Mr President.