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Madam Vice President,

On behalf of the Government of Guyana, I welcome the Ethiopian Delegation to Geneva and thank them for the constructive Report presented to this UPR.

We take this opportunity to commend the Government of Ethiopia for its efforts at addressing poverty with the implementation of the Growth and Transformation Plan 2016-2020 and for its efforts at reaching vulnerable sections of society. We also commend Ethiopia for its accession and ratification of several human rights related treaties.

**Recommendations:**

1. We recommend continued and strengthened efforts at tackling trafficking in persons, especially women and girls.
2. We recommend increased efforts at addressing discrimination against women and girls, persons with disabilities and all minorities.
3. We recommend efforts be taken to establish adequate legislation to ensure the right to education for all.

We thank the Government of Ethiopia for their cooperation and we wish them success in this UPR.