**STATEMENT BY BOTSWANA DURING THE REVIEW OF ANGOLA AT THE 34TH SESSION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW**

 ( 7 November 2019, Geneva)

1. **Mr. President,** Botswana warmly welcomes the delegation of Angola to the third cycle of the UPR process. We thank the Delegation for the presentation of their national report.

2.Botswana notes Angola ‘s National human rights strategy (2019–2022) which at the phase of being approved whose aim is to promote, defend and monitor human rights and to address, report and punish any violations. The training of law enforcement officials and the judicial officers on human rights is commendable.

3.We also note progress in child protection, fight against poverty, HIV/AIDS prevention and care, provision of water, fight against corruption, provision of health, education and water. The Strategic Plan to combat Corruption(2018-2022), National Development Plan(2018-2022) and the Integrated Municipal Programme of Rural Development and fight Against Poverty(2018-2022) are commendable programmes of intent of development and promotion of human rights.

1. It is worth commending Angola for her cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for human Rights, Special procedures and other international mechanisms.

4.While noting the progress made by Angola in promoting and protection human rights, we make the following two recommendations:

1. Finance the Office of the Ombudsman adequately
2. Ensure effective implementation of the National Human Rights Strategy of 2019-2022.

4.We wish Angola a successful review outcome.

 **I thank you, Mr. President!**