

**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE
TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA**

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Mr. President,

My delegation thanks the Egypt’s delegation for their presentation and we welcome their presence today.

We take positive note of the measures taken by the Government of Egypt to improve the human rights situation in the country. In particular, we welcome the establishment of a Supreme Permanent Committee for Human Rights and we encourage Egypt to allocate the necessary resources to facilitate the performance of its mandate.

Timor-Leste further notes with the appreciation that Egypt has amended the law establishing the National Council for Human Rights to strengthen that body’s mandate and independence, as well, as it has created the National Council for Women and the National Council for Persons with Disabilities.

In view of strengthening the improvements already made by Egypt in the promotion of human rights, Timor-Leste makes the following recommendations:

* That Egypt reinforces human rights education and training programmes for public service officials
* That Egypt establishes a moratorium of the death penalty

To conclude, my delegation wishes all the success to Egypt during this cycle of the UPR.

I thank you, Mr. President.