

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

Universal Period Review

**Liberia**

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Madame President,

Timor-Leste welcomes the delegation of Liberia to this session of the UPR and thanks them for their report.

At the outset, Timor-Leste would like to make the following recommendations:

- That Liberia decriminalizes same-sex sexual conduct between consenting adults,

- That Liberia removes any provisions in legislation that provided for the death penalty.

Madame President,

Despite the challenges ahead, Timor-Leste takes note of the positive progress made by the Government of Liberia in the field of freedom of expression and welcomes the measures undertaken by Liberia to improve the enjoyment of human rights, such as the pro-poor agenda for prosperity and development and the plan for improving the education sector.

We wish Liberia a successful review.

I thank you, Madame President.