

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

Universal Period Review

**Maldives**

4 November 2020

Madame President,

Timor-Leste wishes to make the following recommendations:

- That Maldives take further steps to ensure that all children within its jurisdiction are treated equally,

- That Maldives abolish the death penalty for all crimes,

- That Maldives expedite the adoption of the maternal and child health bill.

Madame President,

Timor-Leste thanks the Maldives for presenting its national report at the third cycle of the UPR and welcomes its achievement of almost universal participation of children at the pre-primary level, primary, secondary and lower-secondary levels.

To conclude, Timor-Leste wishes Maldives all the success in its review.

I thank you, Madame President.