**36th Session of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR)**

**Kenya’s Statement on Liberia**

**Thank you, Madam President**

Kenya congratulates Liberia on the third cycle of UPR and commends the country for continued efforts to increase the protection and promotion of human rights since the last cycle.

While recognizing that Liberia continues to face some political, economic and social challenges as a post conflict nation, we laud the country for ratification of key instruments like the Convention of Persons with Disabilities and domestication of international treaties including the passing or reviewing of relevant laws.

Regrettably, we note that gender inequality as well as Gender-Based Violence (GBV) remain some of the key challenges to the full enjoyment of human rights in Liberia.

**Kenya, therefore, recommends the following:**

1. Take further measures to incorporate women and children’s rights into national programmes,
2. Strengthen national laws to address sexual and GBV as well as elimination of unprogressive practices like FGM.

We wish Liberia a successful Review

**I thank you.**