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**Statement by Ms. Rishfa Rasheed,
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Geneva**

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Thank You Mr. President,

The Maldives would like to welcome to Geneva once again the distinguished delegation of Cape Verde, a fellow member of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS). It applauds the work of the Government of Cape Verde in its commitment to the UPR, a clear sign of which is the acceptance of all the recommendations made at the UPR Working Group Session.

The Maldives is pleased to know that Cape Verde will soon issue standing invitations to special procedures mandate holders, as we had recommended at the First Cycle. The Maldives appreciate Cape Verde's engagement to strengthen efforts to promote human rights and encourages to work with the OHCHR and other stakeholders to fulfil its obligations under international human rights treaties, and seek assistance of the OHCHR, as necessary.

The Maldives would like to extend its best wishes to the delegation of Cape Verde on the adoption of its report.

Thank You Mr. President.