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Ambassador

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Thank you Mr. President,

The Maldives would like to welcome the delegation from Dominica, a fellow member of the Alliance of Small Island States, to this UPR working group session.

As a fellow Small Island State, the Maldives understands the severe technical and financial capacity constraints faced by Dominica, and the knock-on effects of this in terms of the promotion and protection of human rights.

Improved reporting under those conventions to which Dominica is Party, the careful and sustainable ratification of other core treaties, selective engagement with Special Procedures, and the establishment of national human rights institutions: these are the essential building blocks of progress on human rights.

With this in mind, the Maldives would like to make the following recommendation:

That the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights dispatch a technical assistance team to the Maldives to advise the Government on: streamlined treaty reporting using the common core document; the advantages of interaction with Special Procedures, including through country visits; and necessary steps towards the establishment of a national human rights institution.

Thank you Mr. President.