

Oral Declaration of Agir en faveur de L'environnement

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Thank you Mr Chairman,

On behalf of my organization, I thank you for giving me the floor. First, we welcome the presentation of the Mauritanian delegation marked by franchise and objectivity and we take this opportunity to reiterate asking for the implementation of the accepted recommendations as soon as possible.

We also welcome the recent visit made by Mr Juan Ernesto Mendez, the UN Special Rapporteur on torture in our country and are convinced that it will further promote the respect for human dignity. The visit demonstrated the openness of the Government and its real willingness to cooperate with all international mechanisms, including the UPR.

In order to consolidate the achievements in respect of protection and promotion of human rights in Mauritania, we recommend the following:

- 1- To strengthen the capacities of the Mauritanian Civil Society in promoting and protecting human rights;
- 2- To provide technical and financial support to Mauritania in order to accelerate the implementation of the Road Map for the eradication of the legacy and contemporary forms of slavery;
- 3 -To accelerate the adoption of the law on gender-based violence.

Thank you Mr Chairman Dr Haless Mohamed Lemine