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Speaker: Yahya Mahmood

Mr. President,

RADDHO welcomes the delegation of Burundi to the 3rd cycle of the UPR.

We note with deep regret the continued non-cooperation of the Burundian government with the UN mechanisms and other international human rights bodies.

The severe nature of the human rights violations and abuses in the country, coupled with the refusal to cooperate, render Burundi unfit for membership of this Council.

RADDHO regards the recommendations made by the Member States as useless, considering the lack of implementation by the Government of Burundi and the deafness and blindness of the authorities.

Mr. President, we reiterate our concern about the credibility of the Council given Burundi's unwillingness to take meaningful efforts, including cooperation with UN mechanisms, to improve the country's appalling human rights situation.

In conclusion, we call on the Government of Burundi to put an end to the assassination of political opponents, journalists and human rights activists.

Additionally, we exhort the Government to create a better atmosphere of inclusive dialogue for national reconciliation, and to strengthen cooperation with regional institutions and UN mechanisms.

Thank you.