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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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**Adoption of the Report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic
Review of Haiti
(16 March 2012)**

STATEMENT BY INDIA

Madam President,

India warmly welcomes the delegation of Haiti on the occasion of the adoption of the Report of the Working Group on their Universal Periodic Review. We commend the efforts made by Haiti to participate in the UPR process even in the backdrop of daunting challenges posed by the aftermath of the devastating earthquake. This is a reflection of Haiti's commitment and determination to the promotion and protection of Human Rights.

2. India takes a positive note of the constitutional and progressive judicial reforms being undertaken by Haiti. We welcome the many encouraging steps taken towards the right to decent housing and the re-housing of those made homeless in 2010, the efforts to eradicate hunger and combat human trafficking.

3. Haiti's courageous and resilient approach in rebuilding and in stabilizing the country despite the lack of resources and in wake of natural disasters is notable. It behoves the international community to continue to extend, as requested by Haiti, technical assistance and capacity- building in consonance with her needs.

4. We congratulate Haiti for its successful and rewarding review which is indicative of its determination and dedication to making the process meaningful. We are encouraged that Haiti has accepted 122 of the recommendations made and wish it well in its future endeavors.

Thank you, Madam President.
