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## Human Rights Division - Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade

## **Call for Inputs - Universal Periodic Review**

The Universal Periodic Review (UPR) is a mechanism which aims to improve the human rights situation in all countries. The UPR provides the opportunity for each State to declare what actions it has taken to improve human rights situations in the country.

The Republic of Mauritius is required to submit its next UPR report by October 2023. The last UPR exercise was carried out in 2018. The Report submitted by Mauritius and the Review Report received from the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights are available on the website of the Human Rights Division at <u>https://humanrights.govmu.org/</u> (*under Human Rights/Treaty/Convention*).

Preparation of the next UPR report is underway. The UPR report will cover the extent to which the State upholds human rights obligations set out in the UN Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and human rights instruments to which the State is a party.

In this context, **civil society and NGOs are kindly invited to provide any submission** that they may have in soft copy **by 14 April 2023 to** <u>humanrights@govmu.org</u>.

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