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## **Report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review\***

### **Seychelles**

#### **Addendum**

**Views on conclusions and/or recommendations, voluntary commitments  
and replies presented by the State under review**

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1. Seychelles continues to acknowledge the Universal Periodic review (UPR) as an important and unique mechanism and, by participating in the same, it strives to keep fostering, promoting and protecting human rights within its territory. As a strong supporter of this process, Seychelles has actively attended the Review. Our Government considers it a privilege and welcomes suggestions and recommendations to enhance its national human rights programmes.

2. The following positions reflect the response of the Republic of Seychelles to the outstanding 102 recommendations from the UN member States during its 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle of the UPR that took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. The responses to the recommendations are reflective of national consultation that has taken place in order to reach the following conclusions.

## Responses to recommendations

112.1. Seychelles accepts the recommendation.

112.2. Seychelles accepts the recommendation.

112.3. Seychelles accepts the recommendation.

112.4. Seychelles **accepts** the recommendation in so far as the recommendation relates to the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhumane or Degrading Treating or Punishment, the Optional Protocol the Convention on the rights of the Child on a communications procedure. Seychelles however **notes** the part of the recommendation asking Seychelles to ratify the 1954 Convention relating to Status of Stateless Persons.

112.5. Seychelles accepts the recommendation.

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### **General clarification**

3. Concerning the recommendations which have been noted, it is important to state that some may have been 'noted' because at present time, Seychelles is not able to implement the

issued recommendation, could be due to inadequate national technical capacity at the moment, the need to have more consultation on the subject matter contained in the recommendation or that the decision to note the recommendation is based on the policies of the Country, etc. A recommendation that has been noted has therefore not been cast-off by our Government but recorded for further review, consideration and / or action. Accordingly and based on the principle of sovereignty of all states, Seychelles can still decide to implement a recommendation that it 'noted'.

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