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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and in reference to the latter's letter dated 18 September 2011 transmitting a Questionnaire for the preparation of the OHCHR analytical study on Violence against Women and Disability (A/HRC/RES/17/11) has the honour to provide the following information:

i. The number of households in which persons with disabilities reside is around 25,000;

ii. The Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions has an ongoing sensitisation programme to combat stereotypes;

iii. The Training and Employment of Disabled Persons Board provides vocational training to persons with disabilities, including women and girls with disabilities;

iv. The Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions has a wide social protection coverage for persons with disabilities, including women and girls with disabilities;

v. The Welfare Unit of the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions pays regular visits to residential centres and the Disability Unit monitors daycare centres;

vi. A Disability Watch has been set up by the National Council for the rehabilitation of disabled persons;

vii. The Building Regulations 2005 provides for all new public buildings to be accessible to persons with disabilities; and

viii. It is proposed to provide psychological support to girls and women with disabilities who have been victims of abuse.


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