



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND
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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and further to its Note No. 192/2012 (MMG/COM/8) dated 27th July 2012 regarding the rights of persons with disabilities, has the honour to submit hereunder the contribution of the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions of the Republic of Mauritius on question 3 of the questionnaire:

- (i) the Training and Employment of Disabled Persons Act 1946 which provides for all private enterprises with a workforce of 35 or more employees to include 3% of disabled persons, has been amended on 3 July 2012 to make non-compliant employers pay a contribution for each disabled worker not recruited as per the quota;
- (ii) the provisions of the Act have now been extended to parastatal bodies as well;
- (iii) A Forum of Women with Disabilities has been set up an advocacy group for the employment of disabled women; and
- (iv) A school of performing arts is being set up to enable artists with disabilities to earn a living through arts.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.



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