

**Mandate of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination.**

1. There is no national legislative or regulatory framework providing for private military, private militia and / or security companies in immigration and border control/ management.
2. Border Control is done exclusively by public servants namely the Passport and Immigration Office (PIO), as per provisions of the Immigration Act and the Passport Act. Copies are at *Annex I* and *Annex II*.
3. Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs) are not involved in immigration and border management and related regulatory and contractual frameworks in Mauritius.
4. The Republic of Mauritius has a well- organized Police, including a Paramilitary Force, to ensure the security of the Country. As such, there is no need for mercenaries.
5. Moreover, there is neither any evidence of the existence of mercenary activities in Mauritius or its outer islands, nor the Mauritian Government has enacted any domestic legislation regarding such activities.