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Madam President,

India extends a warm welcome to the delegation of Brazil led by H.E. Maria do Rosario Nunes and thanks them for the presentation of its National Report. We commend Brazil's efforts in implementing the UPR recommendations accepted during the first cycle which attests the zeal and commitment of Brazil to the promotion and protection of human rights.

2. India and Brazil enjoy a growing strategic partnership and share common democratic values, developmental aspirations and similar challenges. We congratulate Brazil for the significant progress in poverty alleviation and consequently reducing the income inequalities which are not only widely known and accepted by world institutions, but are being

studied by various Government agencies in India and elsewhere in order to emulate the Brazilian model.

3. We commend Brazil for having achieved virtually all the Millennium Development Goals well before 2015 while consciously integrating human rights perspective to their fulfilment. We encourage Brazil to continue its efforts in reducing inequality and discrimination among its peoples, regions, races and genders. We also encourage strengthening relevant legal and institutional frameworks.

4. We wish Brazil all success in hosting the Rio+20 Conference, FIFA World Cup and the 2016 Summer Olympic Games and in its pursuit in furthering human rights.

Thank you Madam President.
