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Statement by the Delegation of Nepal, at an interactive dialogue with the delegation of the Federative Republic of Brazil during the 13th session of the UPR Working Group, 25 May 2012

Madam President,

My delegation welcomes the delegation of the Federative Republic of Brazil and the comprehensive presentation of the national report. We commend the importance attached by Brazil to the implementation of the recommendations of its UPR in the first cycle.

Nepal takes note with appreciation the development policy of Brazil premised on combating poverty and the human rights policy based on reducing inequality and discrimination among people, regions, races and genders.

Especially the Constitutional guarantee of fundamental rights, attainment of virtually all MDGs, integration of social policies into economic growth strategies, and promotion of sustainable and inclusive development are noteworthy. The dynamic economic growth of Brazil in recent years is remarkable. The commitment to gender equality, focus on human rights education, and specific initiatives taken for the promotion and protection of human rights including the National Human Rights Programme and the Brazil without Poverty Plan are commendable.

In conclusion, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations for the consideration of the delegation of Brazil:

1. Continue strengthening social security to cover all segments of the society;
2. Formulate programmes for the effective implementation of National Plan on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and
3. Intensify efforts to enhance the participation of women in socio-economic activities.

I thank you.