

STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF VIET NAM
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(Geneva, 25/05/2012) by *Ms. NGO Le Hoang Vu*
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Madam President,

At the outset, my delegation would like to warmly welcome the delegation of Brazil led by Her Excellency Mrs. *Marcia de Rosardo Nunes* and thank her for the presentation this morning.

Viet Nam appreciates the ongoing commitment of Brazil to protecting and promoting human rights and fundamental freedoms, particularly its efforts in fully implementing its UPR 1st cycle recommendations and voluntary commitments. We share and highly commend the strategy of promoting sustainable development with social inclusion and fulfillment of human rights that Brazil is pursuing. In this regard, we are pleased to note the rapid economic growth in Brazil over the last years, as well as other results in poverty reduction, access to public services, children care, gender equality...just to name a few with you.

Madam President,

There are still numerous challenges ahead that the Brazil UPR report has also mentioned: child labour, extreme poverty, social inequality, racial discrimination... We would like to recommend Brazil:

- Firstly, to strengthen measures in poverty ^{*eradication*} ~~reduction~~ as well as in reducing socio-economic development gap among regions and social groups;

- Secondly, to continue its favorable policies with concrete initiatives aimed at the most vulnerable groups such as women, children and minorities.

Finally, we wish Brazil success ~~On the way of realizing all human rights and fundamental freedoms.~~ *and continue to contributing to the promotion & protection of*

I thank you, Madam President.

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