

PHILIPPINE STATEMENT FOR THE $2^{\rm ND}$ CYCLE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (2UPR) 30 MAY 2012, 230 pm

POLAND

Madame President,

My delegation welcomes H.E._____ and the Polish delegation to the 13th session of the Universal Periodic Review. The Philippines appreciates Poland's commitment to the protection and promotion of human rights and its cooperation with the mechanisms of the Human Rights Council.

The Philippines acknowledges the commitment of Poland to the promotion and protection of human rights as adequately shown on its national report. In particular, the Philippines notes that Poland has expanded the mandate of its Ombudsman for Children's Rights, which since 2010, was given the power to participate in cases involving children's rights being heard before the Constitutional court.

My delegation also notes the numerous human rights convention that Poland ratified within the review period.

The Philippines acknowledges the consistent efforts of Poland to curb trafficking in person. My delegation notes Poland's assertion that most of the standards for protection for migrant workers are at par with those outlined in the International Convention for the Protection of the Rights of All Migrants Workers and their Families (ICRMW).

The Philippines reiterates the recommendation for Poland to consider ratifying the ICRMW ILO Convention 189 on decent work for domestic workers.

As Poland enters into a new phase of periodic review, the Philippines wishes Poland more success as it continue to formulate and implement programs to deliver to its people the highest standards of human rights protection and promotion. Thank you.