## Statement by H.E. Mr. Yong CHANTHALANGSY, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Lao PDR to UNO in Geneva at the 14<sup>th</sup> session of UPR. Human Rights Council

Consideration of UPR on Republic of Korea on 25 October 2012

Mme. President,

The Lao delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Republic of Korea to the 14<sup>th</sup> session of UPR Working Group of Human Rights Council.

My delegation congratulates the achievement made by the Government of Republic of Korea on the enactments of Framework Act on International Development Cooperation and expansion of official development assistance to promoting human rights in general, women and children in particular and to achieving MDGs. We appreciated that a number of policies were put in place with specific aim to protect human rights and promote welfare of the people with disabilities, national health insurance, education, economic and social.

We noted that Republic of Korea is party to human rights treaties and optional protocols and is also a signatory to many Conventions for instance the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and had included them into domestic legislation for ensuring the promotion and protection human rights.

My delegation encourages the government of Republic of Korea continues to cooperate with the UN and other International Organisations in developing its legal and institutional framework with respect to promoting and protecting human rights in Republic of Korea.

I thank you, Mme. President