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Statement of the Algerian Delegation  
on the UPR of Sri Lanka

Mme. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of Sri Lanka and thanks H.E.M. Mahinda Samarasinghe, Minister of Plantation Industries and Special Envoy of H.E. the President on Human Rights for his insightful presentation.

The engagement of Sri Lanka in the UPR process, as testified by the progress made since the first cycle, is commendable.

We highly appreciate the efforts being made to achieve the MDGs, particularly halving extreme poverty by 2015 as well as to mainstream the MDGs as an essential component of the national development.

We congratulate Sri Lanka for the conclusion of the UN Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for 2013-2017.

**We recommend that Sri Lanka continue its engagement with the relevant UN agencies in achieving the overall objective of the UN Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for 2013-2017.**

The Constitution of Sri Lanka contains provisions to promote the advancement of vulnerable groups of the society.

**We recommend that Sri Lanka intensify its policies and programmes undertaken to ensure the protection of women and children.**

Finally, we wish the Government of Sri Lanka all the success in the UPR process and the implementation of the accepted recommendations.

Thank you.