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Press Statement by Myanmar

**During the 14th Session of the Working Group on the
Universal Periodic Review of Sri Lanka**

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Madame President,

My Delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Sri Lanka led by... H.E. Mr. Mahinda Samarasinghe.....

We appreciate Sri Lanka's comprehensive report and updated additional information on its endeavors to promote and protect human rights.

Myanmar commends Sri Lanka for its achievement in the restoration of peace, stability and harmony in the country after 30 years of conflict. Sri Lanka deserves due recognition from the international community for its success in the resettlement of IDPs and the rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants:

Before concluding, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

- Continue to promote and protect human rights through education and institutional reforms; and,
- Further improve the living standard of the people by reducing poverty and economic disparity.

I thank you, Madame President.