Statement by the delegation of Cambodia for UPR of Ukraine (at the 14th Session of the UPRWG of the HRC, 24 October, 2012)

Madame President,

- 1. First of all, Cambodia welcomes the Delegation of Ukraine led by H.E..... at this UPR process.
- 2. We acknowledge with appreciation that Ukraine have made progress in the process of implementation of most of the recommendations that have been adopted during the first UPR Cycle, providing a number of platforms for the country to further enhance its efforts in the promotion and protection of Human Rights of its people in various fields.
- 3. Cambodia takes notes with encouragement of the recent steps taken by Ukraine, for example, through the adoption of a national plan of action in 2009 to implement the convention of the rights of the child for a period up to 2016, the adoption of the relevant legislations to ensure the promotion of the rights of the child (including the Act of 2011 which provide monitoring mechanism of the protection of victims of trafficking, including the children). The efforts have also been made in addressing other challenges such as in the judicial reforms, in combating trafficking in person and in the prevention of Domestic Violence through the implementation of the adopted relevant Act, among others.
- 4. We take note of the Ukraine' efforts at addressing many other political, legal, economic and social challenges along with further consideration of the country's accession to, and implementation of, the important international instruments.
- 5. In this regard, we welcome the country's ratification to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto in 2009 along with a policy framework of 2011 adopted by the government, (entitled "National plan of action for the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and for the development of a rehabilitation system for disabled persons" for the period up to 2020).
 - 6. Cambodia wishes to make the following recommendation for Ukraine:
 - --To further improve the situation pertaining to minority issues, especially in the social and economic fields for the disadvantaged groups, and to promote equal opportunities for them to have access to education and other related sectors at all levels.

Thank you,