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STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA

Review of The Bahamas

15th Session of the UPR Working Group of the Human Rights Council
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Thank you Mr. President,

The Malaysian delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of The Bahamas to this session of the UPR Working Group and we thank the delegation for the presentation of their national report.

2. My delegation wishes to commend The Bahamas for its commitment to further strengthening its legal and institutional framework related to human rights standards and practices since its last review. Its ongoing efforts include, among others, the enactment of domestic legislation to enhance the social and economic well-being of its people.

3. Nevertheless, Malaysia is mindful that The Bahamas continues to face challenges in human and technical capacity. In this regard, Malaysia wishes to make the following recommendations, in the spirit of constructive engagement, for the consideration of The Bahamas:

- 3.1 to continue its efforts to further build its capacity and increasing awareness on human rights; and
- 3.2 to establish a national human rights institution in conformity with the Paris Principles.

Thank you Mr. President.

GENEVA
23 January 2013