



**STATEMENT OF VIET NAM**  
*at the 15<sup>th</sup> session of the HRC WG on UPR of Barbados*  
*(Geneva, 25 January 2013)*

Mr. President,

Viet Nam warmly welcomes and thanks the delegation of Barbados led by ..... for the presentation of the UPR national report this morning. We commend Barbados' seriousness in preparing her second UPR report as an illustration of her commitment to the promotion and protection of all human rights.

We take note of the encouraging developments since Barbados' previous UPR. More efforts have been made, more resources have been invested and that brings a promising picture of Barbados' promotion and protection of human rights in spite of difficulties and shortages faced by a small and developing country. We are pleased to note initiatives and concrete actions in combating racial discrimination, trafficking in persons as well as promoting gender equality. We therefore recommend Barbados consolidate positive results in these fields.

Sharing the view in the Barbados' national report that highlighted on safeguarding the economic and social rights of the most vulnerable groups in the economic recession, we recommend Barbados consider launch a holistic national plan in ensuring job creation, public services and social welfare to all her people without any discrimination.

We wish Barbados well and success.

I thank you, Mr. President

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