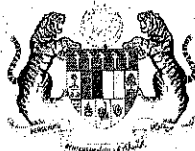


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STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA
Review of Chad
17th Session of the UPR Working Group of the
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Thank you Madam Vice President,

Malaysia warmly welcomes the delegation of Chad, led by His Excellency _____ . We thank them for their detailed presentation of the national report.

2. My delegation takes positive note on Chad's various on-going policies and programmes initiated by the Government to further enhance the promotion and protection of human rights of its people. In particular, we are pleased with the efforts that the Government has undertaken in drawing up a number of legal text to further strengthen their efforts in this regard.

3. My delegation further lauds the achievements and progress that Chad has made in the areas of health, combating poverty, and protecting the rights of women and children, among others. In this regard, we appreciate the establishment of the National Development Plan 2013-2015 and the 2009-2015 national campaigns to combat violence against women. We would like to recommend for Chad to intensify its efforts in promoting literacy among the population, especially among rural women; and to continue its efforts to build more classrooms under the Intermediate Strategy for education and literacy (SIPEA) programme.

4. My delegation further supports the request by Chad in paragraph 70 of its national report for technical and financial support from the international community to strengthen its national institutions. We acknowledge the various challenges Chad is facing in upholding fundamental freedoms of its people. We nevertheless are confident that Chad would do its utmost to address those challenges.

I thank you.

GENEVA
29 October 2013