

Statement by the delegation of Cambodia for UPR of China

At the 17th Session of the UPR WG of the HRC

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Mr. President,

1. Cambodia extends its warmest welcome to the delegation of PR of China, led by H.E. ....to the 17th Session of the UPR Working Group. We congratulate the delegation for the presentation of its National Report at this Second UPR cycle.

2. Cambodia welcomes China's continuous commitment to upholding and protecting human rights by becoming a party to 26 international human rights instruments. Cambodia commends the remarkable efforts and achievements of China in the area of socio-economic development which maintains an average GDP growth of more than 9 percent per annum from 2008 to 2012. China has achieved clear improvements in promoting the rights to subsistence and to development for people in poverty and vulnerable groups. We welcome the country's efforts in promulgating the outline of the Twelfth Five -Year Plan and the National human Rights Action Plan for 2012-2015.

4. We take note with appreciation of China endeavors, to the best of its ability, to provide economic and technical assistance to other developing countries, in particular within the framework of South-South cooperation.

5. To address other related challenges, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations for the consideration by the delegation of the PR of China:

a. To continue the efforts in implementation of the country's Plans of Actions, in particular those relating to the safeguard of the economic, social and cultural rights of the people, including those of the most vulnerable ones and disadvantaged groups (along with the strengthening of their capacity).

b. To continue pursuing measures and policy aimed at ensuring the rights of ethnic minorities' learning, writing and the development of their own languages according to the relevant laws.

Thank you Mr. President!