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Mr. President,

A warm welcome is extended to the high level delegation of China.

Egypt congratulates the Chinese Government on the positive steps taken since the first cycle, and welcomes in particular the efforts to strengthen the human rights legislative infrastructure, to promote human rights education and training. We also commend the Chinese valuable contribution to the achievement of the Internationally Agreed Development Goals through South-South cooperation.

On the other hand, China is a global success story in economic growth; we would be most appreciative to learn more about achieved progress and future plans to transform these impressive growth records into better results in poverty eradication and human development.

We present the following recommendations to the consideration of the delegation of China:

- 1- Continue carrying out administrative and judicial reforms to prepare for the ratification of the ICCPR.
- 2- To continue observing its national legal safeguards surrounding the application of death penalty as one of the legitimate tools of criminal justice.
- 3- To consider acceding to the International Convention on the Rights of Migrant Workers (ICRMW).
- 4- To maintain its effective protection for the family as the fundamental and natural unit of society.

I thank you.
