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UPR OF CHINA– INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE

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Mr. President,

India warmly welcomes the delegation of China led by H.E. Ambassador W.U. HAILONG and thanks the delegation for its National Report and the presentation made today.

2. The report presents a comprehensive overview of steps taken by China to implement the recommendations received during its first UPR. India welcomes the advances made by China since then, particularly, in reducing poverty, judicial reforms measures and promoting human rights education particularly among law enforcement officials.

3. We note with interest that the Chinese Government has formulated a National Human Rights Action Plan for 2012 to 2015, which sets out a comprehensive plan for the promotion and protection of human rights. We commend Chinese Government's efforts in advancing the rights of women. In this regard, we note legislative measures undertaken at Provincial and Regional levels to combat domestic violence.

4. India recommends that

- (i) China makes efforts to ensure the participation of women in public affairs especially in Village Committees, and
- (ii) China continues to promote economic development in ethnic minority regions and strengthen their capacity for development.

5. We request the Chinese delegation to provide more information about the re-education through labour system and elaborate some of the measures contemplated in this regard.

6. We wish the Chinese delegation well in its future endeavours.

Thank you, Mr. President.
