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Thank you Mr. President,

Malaysia warmly welcomes the delegation of China, led by His Excellency Mr. Wu Hailong. We thank the delegation for their detailed presentation of the national report.

2. As the world's largest developing country with over 20 per cent of the world's population, China, for the past four years, has been remarkably successful in their efforts to further promote and protect the human rights of its people from various ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

3. We congratulate the Government of the People's Republic of China for their consistent endeavours in this regard, particularly in promoting the rights of women, children, persons with disabilities and ethnic minorities. The Chinese government has shown strong commitment in upholding the freedom of religious belief for its people, in accordance with its law, and has made noteworthy achievements in their efforts to further promote harmony and understanding among its people.

4. My delegation would like to make the following **two** recommendations:

- i) one: to redouble its efforts in implementing poverty alleviation projects and promoting the development of impoverished areas; and
- ii) two: to continue promoting the freedom of religious belief and safeguarding social and religious harmony among its people.

I thank you.

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