

## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

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## CONSIDERATION OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW REPORT OF MALAYSIA 24 October 2013 PALAIS DES NATIONS

Mr. President,

My delegation would like to welcome the distinguished delegation of Malaysia, to the 17<sup>th</sup> Session of the UPR. We thank H. E. ..... for the comprehensive and detailed presentation of its national report.

My delegation welcomes the achievements and progress that Malaysia has made since its first review in 2009 to improve the human rights situation in the country, particularly measures taken in the areas of education, health and housing, amongst others.

We have also taken positive note of some key developments in Malaysia such as the repeal of the Internal Security Act, the adoption of a new law to promote and protect the right to peaceful assembly and a new legislation to combat corruption, which reflect the commitment of the Government of Malaysia to protect and promote the human rights of its people. Mauritius acknowledges the important measures that have been taken by the Government of Malaysia to eradicate poverty and uplift the living standards of Malaysians. Mauritius therefore recommends that Malaysia continues to prioritise its policies aimed at further improving the socio-economic condition of its citizens.

I thank you Mr. President.