Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations and other International Organizations

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2<sup>nd</sup> UPR cycle - Report of Malaysia

Montenegro warmly welcomes (head of delegation) and the Malaysian delegation.

We welcome the Government of Malaysia's introduction of several significant law reforms in the previous period. However, we remain concerned about the number of important UN conventions that Malaysia has not ratified.

Please elaborate on the intentions of the Government of Malaysia to become a party to the main international instruments on human rights, particularly the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural rights.

We would kindly ask the Delegation to elaborate on whether the Government of Malaysia has taken concrete measures in order to prevent child, and early and forced marriages.

Montenegro makes the following recommendations:

- We urge the Government of Malaysia to establish a moratorium on the use of the death penalty with a view to abolishing capital punishment for all crimes,
- We call on Government to extend a standing invitation to all thematic special procedures.