

**Statement by Mr. Kyaw Moe Tun
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Mr. President,

My Delegation warmly welcomes the Malaysian Delegation led by..... and we would like to commend them for the national report and comprehensive presentation.

We congratulate the achievements made by Malaysia in its poverty eradication efforts [as hard core poverty has been eradicated in 2010 and Malaysia has also achieved the Millennium Development Goals target on poverty reduction well ahead of schedule.]

We further commend the efforts of Malaysia in promoting the role of women in decision-making positions. [We are pleased to note that, the percentage of women holding decision-making positions in the public sector increased to 31.7 percent in 2012 from 18.8 percent in 2004.]

We note with appreciation for several important measures that Malaysia has taken in its legislative sector to further enhance the exercise and enjoyment of civil and political rights of Malaysians.

Mr. President,

My Delegation would like to make the following recommendations for the considerations:

- To continue to address income inequality and share its experiences with other developing countries in the area of poverty eradication, in particular, its eKasih programme
- To share with others its good practices in easing childcare burden which disproportionately affects women
- ~~To continue its efforts to promote civil and political rights~~

We wish Malaysia all the success.

I thank you, **Mr. President.**
