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**Intervention by Dr. Catherine SANGA, Acting Permanent
Representative, Tanzania mission to UN, Geneva, During
the Review on Malaysia**

Mr. President,

Tanzania welcomes Malaysia's achievements in the field of human rights since its first cycle of Universal Periodic Review (UPR) review. We also thank the delegation for the introduction of the national report and for their constructive participation in the process. We are pleased to note that the promotion and protection of human rights remains a priority of the government of the Malaysia.

Mr. President,

My delegation as informed by the report, acknowledges the efforts by the government of the Malaysia in the fulfillment of its human rights obligation at both the national, regional and International level. We take note that in spite of achievements made, Malaysia still faces a number of challenges, which impedes the government's efforts to address the human rights challenges.

We note with appreciation the government commitment to uplifting living standard of all Malaysians and we further commend Malaysia for achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) target on poverty reduction well ahead of

schedule. My country would be more than willing to share experience from Malaysia.

Further, we would like to recommend the government to consider favorably acceding to the international treaties, which is not yet part to them.

Finally, Mr. President, we call on the international community to continue lending full support to efforts being made by the government of Malaysia towards the implementation of its human rights obligations.

I thank you,