

17th SESSION OF THE UPR WORKING GROUP**State under Review: Malaysia****Statement by Turkey****(24 October 2013)**

- We note with satisfaction that Malaysia has taken significant measures as pointed out in the National Report in order to address certain **recommendations with a constructive approach.**

- We commend the determination of the Malaysian Government to improve their institutional and legislative framework in the field of human rights. To this end, the national plans and programmes which have been implemented in parallel with relevant legislative amendments are deemed worthy steps in the right direction.

- Within various areas, we especially welcome Malaysia's performance in economic, social and cultural rights. Achievements in increasing the participation level of women in all facets of life are also praiseworthy.

- Being aware of the fact that Malaysia has shown considerable progress in the field of human rights, my Delegation wishes to propose the following recommendations for the consideration of Malaysia:

- 1- To continue efforts for strengthening Malaysia's National Human Rights Commission,
- 2- To increase efforts for a more fair distribution of wealth in line with the remarkable success in poverty reduction,
- 3- To continue its commitment to provide equal access to health services and education,
- 4- To accelerate the conclusion of investigations regarding applications on the conduct of elections by the Election Commission and other relevant authorities.