

Remarks by the Republic of Azerbaijan
UPR – Cambodia

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Mr. President,

Azerbaijan welcomes the Delegation of Cambodia and thanks for the statement.

We positively note that Cambodia has acceded further to the core international conventions in the field of human rights, such as Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and Optional Protocols to Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women. We recommend Cambodia to continue the process of accession to the core human rights instruments.

We commend the measures of the Government with regard to the promotion of education quality and efficiency and ensuring equitable access to education services, as well as the various programs of the Ministry of Health aimed at maternal and child health and health system strengthening. As a follow-up to our recommendation in 2009, we would recommend Cambodia to further increase its national spending on health and education sector to meet the targets of MDGs.

We take note of the awareness raising campaign and other necessary measures of the Government with regard to the promotion of equity in the society and elimination of discrimination against women. We recommend Cambodia to continue its measures in this field.

We note the progress made by Cambodia in order to achieve MDG target on poverty reduction. As mentioned in the report, in spite of high economic growth and reduced poverty, the poverty rate in rural areas is high. In that regard, we recommend Cambodia in cooperation with international community to implement effective programs aimed at reducing poverty, especially in the rural areas of the country.

Thank you for attention.