

**STATEMENT BY BRUNEI DARUSSALAM
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THE WORKING GROUP OF THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW**

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Thank you Mr. President,

The delegation of Brunei Darussalam wish to extend a warm welcome to the delegation of Cambodia led by His Excellency Mr. Mak Sambath, Vice Chair of the National Human Rights Committee, and thank him for the comprehensive presentation.

We would like to congratulate Cambodia on conducting broad and inclusive consultations involving all relevant stakeholders in the preparation of its National Report.

Brunei Darussalam appreciates the various measures the Government has taken to promote and protect the rights of women and children. We note the number of specific regulations it has adopted to combat discrimination against women, as well as to promote their growth and development.

Brunei Darussalam also appreciates Cambodia's commitment to improving the quality of life for its people especially in the promotion of health services. We therefore recommend Cambodia to further improve the quality of its health services through the implementation of its national Health Strategic Plan.

Furthermore, we welcome Cambodia's continued cooperation with the United Nations human rights mechanisms in the promotion and protection of human rights.

As a fellow ASEAN member, Brunei Darussalam will continue to work closely with Cambodia through our regional frameworks in the ASEAN Inter-Governmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) and ASEAN Commission on the Protection of Women and Children (ACWC).

Thank you, Mr President.