

STATEMENT OF VIET NAM

At the Review of the 2nd cycle UPR Report of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

(Thursday, January 30, 2014)

Mr. President,

Viet Nam welcomes and thanks the Macedonian delegation for its detailed and informative presentation. We congratulate Macedonia for the recent positive developments in the field of human rights protection and promotion in the country. We also commend Macedonia for her efforts in and commitments to international human rights cooperation and dialogue.

For the consideration of the Macedonian Government in order to better protect and promote human rights of her people, Viet Nam wishes to make the followings recommendations:

- 1. Take more steps to protect the rights of all persons under legal processes of criminal justice, and to guarantee due processes are applied to all of them;
- 2. Enhance dialogue with and assistance to vulnerable groups, in particular ethnic minorities;
- 3. Adopt further measures to ensure gender equality in the society, including through the accession to and effective implementation of international and regional relevant treaties.

I thank you./.