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**Statement by Delegation of Myanmar
at the UPR Working Group Session on New Zealand
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Mr. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the New Zealand delegation led by the Hon'ble Minister of Justice. We join the previous speakers in commending New Zealand's national report and the comprehensive presentation made by the country delegation this morning.

One of the highlights in the national report is New Zealand's impressive achievements in promoting the rights of women. We are pleased to note that the percentage of women in the government at the cabinet ministerial level was 40.5 % in 2012.

We also note, with appreciation, the measures taken to benefit the Maori people.

My delegation further welcomes the publishing of the White Paper on Vulnerable Children, the Children's Action Plan and the introduction of a Vulnerable Children Bill.

Mr. President,

At this juncture, my delegation has no specific recommendations to make. But, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for being able to learn the good practices from New Zealand in promoting and protecting human rights.

We wish New Zealand every success in this round of the Review.

I thank you, Mr. President.
