

Statement by the delegation of Cambodia for UPR of Viet Nam
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Mr. President,

- 1 First of all, ^{Cambodia} I would like to express ^{its} warm welcome to the delegation of Viet Nam, led by H.E. Mr. Ha Kim Ngoc, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, to the 18th Session of the UPR Working Group and also thank the delegation for the presentation of its comprehensive National Report.
- 2 Cambodia appreciates the continued efforts and commitments made by the Government of Viet Nam in the protection and promotion of human rights after the review of the first UPR cycle in 2009. We commend Viet Nam for developing and strengthening its legal system and policies on human rights to ensure the people's better enjoyment of economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights. ~~We positively note that numerous laws related to human rights have been developed by the Government of Viet Nam such as Law on State Compensation Liability, Law on the Elderly, Law on the Persons with Disabilities, and Law on Adoption. These legal developments reflects strong commitments of Viet Nam to promote and protect human rights in the country.~~
- 3 We also commend the Government of Viet Nam for making important achievements in promoting gender equality and women's rights by putting into force legal documents on gender equality and indiscrimination in accordance with the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.
- 4 While appreciating the above mentioned progress, Cambodia would like to recommend ~~that~~ Viet Nam to continue its effort in implementing its National Strategy on Gender Equality to further enhance ~~the~~ people's awareness of gender issue. ^{and}

Thank you, Mr. President!