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**Statement of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic
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Mr. President,

Kyrgyzstan warmly welcomes the delegation of Viet Nam and commends that Viet Nam held a dialogue on human rights in 2009 in the context of the universal periodic review. It has made considerable progress over the past period towards implementing its obligations in the comprehensive and sustainable poverty reduction.

We commend that the Government of Viet Nam considers the promotion and protection of human rights as the essential element of the state's socio-economic development strategies. The Vietnamese Government has fulfilled the MDG in poverty reduction ahead of schedules. A large number of people got out of poverty and their living standards and quality of life have been significantly improved. In addition, labour market development programs have assisted workers in getting jobs and increasing incomes.

Mr. President,

Acknowledging the great progress and encouraging results of Viet Nam in poverty reduction, my delegation recommends:

- to ensure free of charge education in practice;
- to extend the scope of health insurance coverage for poor families;
- to combat poverty among migrant groups.

Mr. President,

My delegation is confident that Viet Nam will continue to pursue the issue of human rights at both national and international levels and wishes them success in this work!

I thank you!