

Armenia's Statement-Brunei Darussalam

Thank you, Mr. President.

We welcome the delegation of Brunei Darussalam and thank for the presentation of the national report. We appreciate the positive changes towards the promotion and protection of human rights since its last review.

Armenia welcomes the emphasis you put on promoting education as one of the key tools for country's development. We note the importance you attach to strengthening the quality services through different projects, such as the Building Improvement of Schools and Infrastructures project and the building maintenance programme.

We commend the efforts directed towards the protection of vulnerable women through employment, entrepreneurship and capacity building.

However, we are concerned that Brunei has not ratified a number of international human rights instruments.

Armenia has 2 recommendations for Brunei Darussalam:

- 1) To accede to the International Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, and
- 2) To further include human rights education and awareness-raising programs in school and university curricula as part of its efforts to promote human rights in the country.

Thank you, Mr. President.