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# **STATEMENT OF VIET NAM**

**By H.E. Ambassador/ Permanent Representative Thanh T. Nguyen**

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> UPR of the People's Democratic Republic of Korea at the  
19th session of the UPR working Group of the Human Rights Council  
(14:30-18:00, Thursday, May 01, 2014)

*Mr. President,*

My delegation welcomes and thanks the DPRK's delegation for the presentation of the second cycle UPR report.

My delegation takes note of the DPRK's efforts made in the socio-economic development and the resulting improvement of the living conditions for her people which is a necessary foundation for the protection and promotion of human rights in the country.

We hope that the DPRK would continue to make more efforts and progresses in the future. The most immediate and major concern is about the lingering humanitarian matters relating to food supply and health care for vulnerable groups of children, women and persons with difficulties and the issue of abduction.

*Mr. President,*

We remain willing and prepared to share with the DPRK our experience in this important regard.

Given the current circumstances in and around the country and for a better protection and promotion of human rights in the country, my delegation wishes to have three recommendations for the DPRK to consider:

1. Make greater efforts to foster the law-abiding culture throughout the country;
2. Further facilitate conducive environment for relevant human rights-related organizations to help implement the recommendations during the UPR process;
3. Enhanced and steadier efforts by the DPRK and all other relevant stakeholders towards constructive engagement in genuine dialogue and effective cooperation in order to settle matters of mutual concerns.

We wish the DPRK well.

I thank you./.