



**STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA**  
**Review of Qatar**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Session of the UPR Working Group of the**  
**Human Rights Council**  
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Thank you Mr. President,

Malaysia warmly welcomes the high level delegation of Qatar to the UPR Working Group and thanks them for the presentation of their national report.

2. Malaysia commends Qatar for its tremendous efforts in enacting and amending various laws and legislation on human rights since its first review in 2010. In particular, we are pleased that progress has been made to combat human trafficking, through the enactment of Human Trafficking Act in 2011 and the subsequent establishment of the National Plan to Combat Human Trafficking. We further note positively the achievements that Qatar has made in developing policies and strategies that would materialise Qatar's National Development Strategy 2016 and its National Vision 2030.

3. Malaysia is also encouraged with the establishment of the Strategic Plan of the National Human Rights Committee which would further enhance and promote the culture of human rights in the country and would like to encourage the Qatari Government to continue implementing policies and programmes outline to this endeavour.

4. In the spirit of constructive engagement, Malaysia would like to make the following **two** recommendations:

4.1. **One:** to continue its commendable efforts to empower women in social, political, economic and public life, including by continuing its positive campaigning to raise awareness on women's rights; and

4.2. **Two:** to continue strengthening the family and family values.

5. In concluding Mr. President, my delegation would like to wish Qatar every success in its second UPR.

I thank you.

**GENEVA**  
**7 May 2014**