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

Malaysia welcomes the delegation of Guinea to the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the UPR Working Group and thanks them for the presentation of their national report.

2. My delegation recognizes the efforts made by Guinea to further promote and protect human rights, including the strengthening of the rule of law and democratization process in the country, since its first Review.

3. We are encouraged to note that all four recommendations made by my delegation during Guinea's first Review were accepted and that significant achievements have been made in the areas of human resource development and combating violence against women and girls. We commend Guinea for its efforts in developing the necessary institutional framework for the advancement and protection of women, girls and children in the country. The establishment of gender units within all ministerial departments and State institutions is praiseworthy. We are also encouraged to note that an observatory on violence against women and children is being set-up in order to strengthen measures to address the issue.

4. While acknowledging the progress made since its first Review, the challenges remain as highlighted in the national report. Therefore, in the spirit of constructive engagement, my delegation would like to present the following **two** recommendations for the consideration of Guinea:

- 4.1. **One:** to redouble its efforts in ensuring greater access to maternal and child health care services for women and children including by providing necessary health infrastructure in rural and urban areas; and
- 4.2. **Two:** to continue its efforts on the promotion of the right to education with a view of increasing the level of enrolment of girls and boys at primary school.

5. In conclusion, my delegation wishes Guinea every success in its second UPR process. We remain confident that with the commitment of and tireless efforts by the Government of Guinea, the country would be able to make further progress.

Thank you, Mr. President.

**GENEVA**  
**20 January 2015**