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BRAZILIAN INTERVENTION

Brazil welcomes the participation of the delegation of Kuwait in the second cycle of the universal periodic review mechanism.

We were pleased that Kuwait extended a standing invitation to all special procedures in September 2010, in line with a recommendation accepted as part of its first review, and we would like to encourage a fruitful preparation and follow up to pending visits, including that of the Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, scheduled for the 1st quarter of 2015.

We were also pleased that Kuwait accepted to further strengthen policies and measures to combat discrimination and violence against women, and we continue to encourage the adoption of a legislation and comprehensive national policy against domestic violence.

As part of our recommendations, Brazil suggests that Kuwait:

- a. considers the ratification of international human rights treaties to which it's not yet a party, including the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and the I and II Optional Protocols to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
- b. considers the adoption of legislation and comprehensive national policy on the protection of the rights of the child, in line with the Convention of the Rights of the Child.