



STATEMENT OF VIET NAM

at the review of the 2nd cycle UPR report of Belarus at the 22nd session of the UPR working Group of the Human Rights Council
(Monday, May 04, 2015)

Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes and thanks the delegation of Belarus for the presentation of its 2nd cycle UPR report.

My delegation takes good note of the Belarus's efforts made in the socio-economic development, including the realization of the MDGs, resulting in the improvement of the living conditions for her people. We believe that this is an essential foundation for the protection and promotion of human rights in the country. In particular, Viet Nam wishes to highlight the endeavor made by Belarus in ensuring social security, health care services, education, and decent conditions of work to its people, and in protecting vulnerable groups such as human rights.

Viet Nam also believes that international cooperation, under principles of international laws and with the spirit of mutual understanding and respect, plays an indispensable role in the protection and promotion of human rights. While Belarus has exerted great efforts, Viet Nam encourages Belarus to further engage with international partners in this field.

Mr. President,

With that in mind, my delegation wishes to have the following recommendations for Belarus to consider:

1. Make further investment in the protection and promotion of rights of the child and in the elimination of discrimination against women;
2. Further engage with relevant international stakeholders, including UN human rights mechanisms, towards constructive engagement in genuine dialogue and effective cooperation in order to better protect and promote human rights in the countries and to settle matters of mutual interests.

I thank you./.