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Statement of the Republic of Korea

Mr. President,

The Republic of Korea commends the efforts which have been made in the field of human rights since the Government of Myanmar embarked on its political and economic reform process in 2011.

We take note with appreciation of the release of political prisoners, the establishment of the National Human Rights Commission and other measures to expand democratic space. We also would like to acknowledge the efforts of Myanmar with regard to its broader cooperation with and engagement in the international community.

Although there still remain challenges to be tackled including a peace settlement and national reconciliation, we believe that the Government of Myanmar will continue to build upon the current achievements and carry out through with its reform process.

In this context, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations.

1. To put forward every effort to ensure that the election process is both free and fair.
2. To provide all necessary assistance in order that the national human rights institution is able to operate at full capacity and to continue judicial reforms including the increased capacity building of judicial institutions.
3. To make sincere efforts to build up levels of confidence and reconciliation among religious groups through dialogue between religious leaders.
4. To continue to cooperate with human rights mechanisms including the Special Rapporteur on Myanmar.

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