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MYANMAR

STATEMENT BY THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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The Czech Republic warmly welcomes the delegation of Myanmar. (We appreciate the response to some of our advance questions).

We have the following **recommendations**:

- (one) to continue with democratization and reform processes by, *inter alia*, ensuring an equal playing field for all political parties at all stages of the electoral process and by building a fully civilian parliamentary representation chosen in democratic elections;
- (two) to repeal or revise discriminatory provisions in the legislation, including the four recently adopted laws on the protection of race and religion; in this regard, we further **recommend** adopting an action plan to promote, through concrete activities, tolerance and peaceful inter-faith and inter-ethnic co-existence in Myanmar;
- (three) to effectively address the issue of land grabbing, including through providing redress to farmers and others whose land was illegally or arbitrarily seized;
- (four) to release all those imprisoned for the exercise of their rights or for espousing dissenting views;
- (and lastly) to establish a timeline for an early opening of the OHCHR country office with a full mandate.

Thank you.