

## STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA Review of Denmark 24<sup>th</sup> Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group of the Human Rights Council, 18 – 29 January 2016

Mr. President.

Malaysia commends Denmark for its overall progress in the promotion and protection of human rights. We acknowledge the Government's initiatives and programmes aimed at improving the rights of persons with disabilities. We note the National Cyber Crime Centre's role in tackling the possession and distribution of child pornography. We also note the Government's efforts in raising awareness on human rights in business.

- 2. We note with concern the Government's proposal to confiscate cash and valuables from asylum seekers who enter Denmark with more than 10,000 kroner. We urge the Government to reconsider this proposal.
- 3. We would also like to propose the following **three recommendations** for the consideration of Denmark:
  - 3.1 One: Condemn all hate crimes, discrimination and racial profiling;
  - 3.2 **Two**: Step-up measures to effectively combat racism and xenophobia while inculcating respect, tolerance and intercultural understanding, especially in schools;
  - 3.3 **Three**: Promote responsible freedom of expression in speeches and publications to curb hate crimes.

Thank you.

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