



**STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA**  
**Review of Somalia**  
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Thank you Mr. President,

Malaysia congratulates the delegation of Somalia for their presentation of the report.

2. Malaysia acknowledges the challenges that Somalia is facing. Malaysia notes that new legislations covering the issues of, among others, the rights of children, foreign workers, the establishment of an electoral commission, and the media were enacted. Malaysia encourages Somalia to align its new laws to international human rights standards.

3. We wish to propose the following **five recommendations** for the consideration of Somalia:

- 3.1. **One:** continue to take actions to improve the capacity of the judiciary, including by sensitizing officials working in the judicial branch on issues concerning vulnerable groups such as women, children and persons with disabilities;
- 3.2. **Two:** step up collaboration with regional and international actors to improve food security by working towards achieving sustainable production and distribution of food;
- 3.3. **Three:** ratify CEDAW, CRC and CRPD;
- 3.4. **Four:** establish a national human rights institution in line with the Paris Principles; and
- 3.5. **Five:** double the efforts to protect children from being victimized by forced and unlawful employment, recruitment of child soldiers by militant groups, trafficking, or sexual exploitation.

I thank you.

**GENEVA**  
**22 January 2016**