

## Statement by Ms. Syuhada Adnan, Second Secretary Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations in Geneva Review of Ireland 25<sup>th</sup> Session of the UPR Working Group of the Human Rights Council 2-13 May 2016

Mr. President.

Malaysia welcomes the delegation of Ireland and congratulates them for the presentation of the report.

- 2. We note the new legislations, reforms, and strategies that are being implemented towards the promotion and protection of human rights in Ireland. These include the reform on policing operations, the establishment of a comprehensive framework for the protection of children and the adoption of a new Integration Strategy to combat all forms of racism. We further note that Ireland has recently embarked on a new National Disability Inclusion Strategy, which is a positive step towards Ireland's consideration to become a State Party to the CRPD.
- 3. Looking ahead, Malaysia is of the view that further attention could be given to several areas, including on the rights of women, children and persons with disabilities, and enhancing human rights training for public officials. In the spirit of constructive engagement, we wish to propose the following recommendations for the consideration of Ireland:
  - 3.1. One: continue to take actions to address the issue of gender pay gap, improve the access to decent work for marginalized women, and ensure adequate social protection system for women in vulnerable situations;
  - 3.2. Two: provide effective human rights education and training for enforcement officials, including prison guards, and take appropriate actions against human rights violations committed by public actors; and
  - 3.3. **Three**: finalise the consideration to become a party to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

Malaysia wishes Ireland the best for its future undertakings in the field of human rights.

I thank you, Mr. President.

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