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Statement by the Delegation of Nepal at the interactive dialogue with the Delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania during the 25th session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, 9 May 2016

Mr. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania. We are glad to learn that the report has been inclusive as a result of broad consultations of stakeholders representing both the State and non-State Actors in the country.

The various measures taken in the implementation of the pledges and recommendations of its initial UPR report shows Tanzania's seriousness on the fulfilment of commitments. It is notable that a number of national action plans, including the five-year National Human Rights Action Plan, are in place to ensure more effective promotion and protection of human rights. As a fellow LDC, Nepal is well aware of the challenges poverty, low level of socio-economic development and resources and capacity constraints pose in the enjoyment of universal human rights. We therefore express our full sympathy to the need of technical and financial support for Tanzania from the wider international community in the implementation of its human rights obligations.

My delegation applauds the success Tanzania has achieved in the making of a new constitution through the Constituent Assembly by following a rigorous review process, which is now awaiting a referendum. As development is the key to greater enjoyment of human rights, my delegation wishes Tanzania for successful implementation of the National Development Vision 2025 and the National Strategies for Growth and Reduction of Poverty.

While wishing the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania all success in its current review, my delegation would like to make the following recommendation: give continuity to strengthening of national human rights institutions and mechanisms to further promote and protect human rights in the country.

I thank you.