**BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

**Review of Timor-Leste**

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Mr. President,

Brunei Darussalam warmly welcomes the delegation of Timor-Leste, led by H.E. Mr. Ivo Jorge Valente, Minister of Justice, to this 26th Session of the UPR Working Group, and thanks him for the presentation earlier.

Brunei Darussalam is pleased to note that the Government of Timor-Leste has approved a National Policy for the inclusion and promotion of the rights of Persons with Disabilities and welcomes the establishment of a National Action Plan 2014 – 2018.

In this regard, we **recommend** that the Government of Timor-Leste take steps to ensure that vulnerable groups, especially children with disabilities, continue to gain access to free education in an inclusive learning environment.

It is worthy to note that Timor-Leste has made steady progress in its health system over the past decade. However, we acknowledge that challenges remain.

Brunei therefore **recommends** that Timor-Leste continue its efforts to ensure that that its people have access to healthcare services, especially in rural areas.

Finally, Brunei Darussalam would like to wish Timor-Leste every success in this UPR session.

Thank you.

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