**Statement by Myanmar Delegation**

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**United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

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**Mr. President,**

My delegation welcomes the delegation of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the 27th session of UPR and thanks for the presentation of their national report.

We have followed the United Kingdom’s national report with interest. We commend the efforts made by the government of the United Kingdom to improve the human rights of women and children, especially violence against women and children.

Despite success, we are still concerned about the increasing number of complaints on the anti-abortion law in Northern Ireland which hinders the access and the rights of reproductive health for women. It would be necessary to review or amend the anti-abortion law in Northern Ireland to cover circumstances such as threat to pregnant woman’s health and in case of rape, incest or serious malformation of the fetus. We, therefore, recommend that the United Kingdom takes necessary measures to provide reproductive healthcare services for women and girls in line with its CEDAW obligations.

In conclusion, we wish the United Kingdom a successful UPR.

I thank you, Mr. President.