**U.S. Statement at the Universal Periodic Review of Myanmar,**

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The United States welcomes the Myanmar delegation. We recommend Myanmar:

1. End government discrimination against Rohingya, including laws which effectively render most Rohingya stateless and unable to access education and livelihoods;

1. Conduct credible investigations into, and impose and enforce criminal penalties for, human rights violations and abuses committed by state security forces and non-state armed groups, and end recruitment and use of child soldiers; and

1. Reform legal mechanisms, including 66(d) of the Telecommunications Act and 505 of the Penal Code, which are used to silence the press, critics of the government and the military, and civil society activists.

The United States recognizes Myanmar’s recent national election as an important step in its democratic transition. We support the people of Myanmar to fully realize a democratic, rights-respecting, peaceful, and prosperous Myanmar.