**Statement by Myanmar Delegation**

**29th session of the UPR Working Group of**

**Israel**

**23 January 2018**

Mr. President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Israel led by-------------------------to this UPR session. We thank them for their national report and updated presentation taken today.

We are of the view that country-specific mandate is against the principles of universality, objectivity, non-selectivity, elimination of double standards and non-politicization; and that UPR is the most appropriate mechanism to address domestic human rights challenges of all countries through international cooperation. In this connection, we commend Israel’s active engagement with the UPR mechanism.

We are encouraged by Israel’s firm commitment to protect children’s rights and their welfare through various measures and initiatives such as adoption of Government Resolution No. 2659 to expends governmental support of after-school day-care programs..

My delegation would like to make the following recommendations;

* Strengthen its constructive engagement with UPR mechanism and take concrete effort to implement its accepted UPR recommendations;
* Take more effective measure to promote children’s rights in close cooperation with the international community.

 In conclusion, we wish Israel a successful UPR.

I thank you, Mr. President.