**Statement by H.E. Mr. Htin Lynn, Permanent Representative of Myanmar**

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Mr. President,

At the outset, my delegation extends a warm welcome to the High-level delegation of the Russia Federation and thanks them for the comprehensive report.

We commend the significant achievements the Russia Federation has made in strengthening fundamental freedom and rights of its people, particularly on combating violence against women, and also promoting the role of civil society.

We note that several laws have been enacted by the Russia Federation aiming at prevention of the social exclusion of women and gender-based violence. We also recognize that State policy is in place to provide financial, material, informational and advisory support to non-profit organizations.

In this context, Myanmar recommends: -

* Enhance its efforts towards combating domestic violence and advancing women empowerment
* Continue strengthen its meaningful engagement with the civil society in implementing UPR recommendations and safeguarding human rights by providing adequate resources;

With these recommendations, we wish the Russia Federation a success in the current review.

I thank you, Mr. President.