**Statement of Viet Nam**

**At the Review of the 3nd cycle UPR Report of Uruguay***(Wednesday, January 23, 2019)*

*Mr. President,*

Viet Nam welcomes the delegation of Uruguay to the 3rd UPR review. We congratulate Uruguay’ efforts in advancing the protection and promotion of human rights since its second UPR review and especially welcome Uruguay’s ratification of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. We also commend Uruguay on the effective implementation of its voluntary commitments.

Viet Nam would like to put forward the following recommendations:

* Continue to consider reform in the Criminal Code and the Civil Code in order to further promote gender equality and rights of women.
* Continue to implement poverty reduction policies with focus on reducing income inequality.

Viet Nam wishes Uruguay a successful UPR review.

 I thank you./.