**Statement by Myanmar Delegation**

**At the 32nd session of the UPR working Group of**

**New Zealand**

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Mr. President,

 My delegation welcomes the delegation of New Zealand to the 32nd UPR Working Group session.

We congratulate New Zealand for the presentation of its national report.

We note with satisfaction the efforts of New Zealand Government in protection and promotion of the rights of children. The introduction of Child Poverty Reduction Bill in January last year is a strong commitment by New Zealand.

Noting New Zealand is the first country that secured women’s voting right and of its historic multi-ethnic background, Myanmar would like to make the following recommendations;

- continue to ensure justice and social protection for domestic violence against vulnerable groups, particularly women from indigenous and Pacific peoples

- continue its efforts to achieve equal wage between women and men in public service, and work towards eventual elimination of gender pay-gap

- to continue to have more active and closer partnership with Maori for effective implementation of the commitment and sustainable settlement process

 We wish New Zealand a successful UPR review.

 I thank you, Mr. President.