**STATEMENT BY CAMBODIA**

Review on Viet Nam

32th Session of the UPR Working Group

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Mr. President,

1. Cambodia warmly welcomes the Vietnamese delegation to the 32nd session of the UPR Working Group and highly appreciates the comprehensive National report presented.
2. The Cambodian delegation takes note, since the 1st and 2nd UPR review processes, that the Vietnamese Government remains committed to the basic human rights principles, and that a majority of recommendations (175 out of 182) were accepted and have been widely implemented.
3. We commend Viet Nam’s achievements in areas of poverty reduction, economic development, improving living standard, promotion of socio-cultural rights, and ensuring the rights to freedom of expression.
4. Therefore, we recommend Viet Nam to further:
5. Raise public awareness on gender equality and combating discrimination against women and girls.
6. Implement the policies on promoting gender equality and bridging the gender gap, which focus on enhancing the role and participation of women in the political, economic and social spheres.

I thank you Mr. President.