**STATEMENT BY THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SINGAPORE AT THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR) OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM AT THE 33RD UPR WORKING GROUP, 10 MAY 2019**

Mr President,

We strongly commend Brunei’s relentless efforts to deliver a high quality of life for its people through its National Development programme *Wawasan Brunei 2035*. The establishment of the Special Committee for National Coordination of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2016 is another significant step in focussing national efforts to achieve the SDGs in line with *Wawasan Brunei 2035*, such as SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities).

In this context, we commend Brunei’s achievement in providing 100% of its population with access to clean drinking water and 92% to improved sanitation. **We recommend that the government continues to invest in improving its water, sanitation and sewerage infrastructure to ensure that its people can have access to clean, safe and affordable water as well as good sanitation facilities.**

We recognise Brunei’s continuous efforts to provide sustainable and affordable housing for its citizens through longstanding policies such as the National Housing Programme (NHP), the Landless Citizens’ Scheme (STKRJ) and the National Housing Scheme (RPN).

**We recommend that the government continues to update and improve these housing schemes to ensure the provision of sustainable and affordable housing for its people.**

We note Brunei’s efforts to promote further understanding of its dual legal system, and commend its commitment to uphold its international obligations on human rights.

As a close neighbour and fellow ASEAN member, Singapore has every confidence Brunei can achieve its goals of *Wawasan Brunei 2035* and in realising the aspirations of its people.

Thank you Mr President.

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