

## National Statement, delivered by Amb. Bilal Ahmad, during the 4<sup>th</sup> UPR Review of <u>Malaysia</u> (45<sup>th</sup> Session of UPR)

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Mr. Vice President,

We warmly welcome the delegation of Malaysia and thank it for the presentation of its 4<sup>th</sup> UPR report.

We commend Malaysia and the steady progress it continues to make on several facets of human rights including its cooperation with the UN human rights and UPR mechanisms. We welcome Malaysia's commitment to further strengthen national human rights frameworks through institutional, legislative and policy steps, including the Hardcore Poverty Eradication Programme, National Nutrition Policy and the National Unity Action Plan.

We have the following recommendations:

- Strengthen human rights training for its law enforcement officials;
- Continue taking active measures aimed at improving gender equality in employment; and
- Enhance capacity building efforts for more robust management of irregular migrants in line with national policies and laws.

We wish Malaysia a productive and successful review.

I thank you!