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Statements made by State under review at the HRC under item 6 after the adoption of the UPR report

Country: China (First Cycle, 2009)

Date of the statement: 13th HRC session - 19 March 2010

“I would like to report on a voluntary basis our implementation of the outcome of the review. In February 2009 China was reviewed under the UPR. After the review and on the basis of the outcome of the review, the Chinese government in April has issued a National Human Rights Action Plan, the first of its kind. This is an important policy document aimed at comprehensively promote China Human rights. In the past year, in spite of the financial crisis, the Chinese government has actively implemented an Action Plan and adopted a serious of measures to expand domestic demand restructured economy, promote growth and improve people’s living standards. We focused our efforts in employment, healthcare, social security and education. Our social insurance scheme has been improved. We increased investments in education to insure right of education for our citizens. We strengthen democracy and the rule of law and improved the participation of its citizens in political life, ensuring the right to information and participation on politics. With regard to law enforcement and administration of justice, emphasis has been put on human rights protection. Ad hoc campaigns have been launched to prevent extraction of confessions by torture and punishing those responsible for it. Rights of ethnic minorities, women and children, elderly and people with disabilities have been further enhanced. The State enhanced the building of disabled people and social security service system. Implementation has been going as planned and preliminary achievements have been obtained. However, due to the persistence of the financial crisis, we still face difficulties in social and economic



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development. We still face difficulties in the implementation of the outcome of the review. However the government is fully committed to continue the implementation of HR Action Plan and the UPR outcome and to enable our people to live in happiness and dignity”.

Date of the statement: 15th HRC session- 23 September 2010

“Despite the specific situation in China, the government is trying very hard to implement the recommendations.

The legal construction concerning HR in China has made great progress. The People’s Congress adopted the amendment for elections law and the elections in rural and urban areas realized the objective of equal rights. We amended the State Compensation Law in an effort to further protect the rights of the prisoners and if extortion of confessions by torture is carried out then the police in question will be punished. The 13 items for death sentences have been removed from the Penal Code and this is a constructive substantive measure for the control of death sentence. The China command is trying hard to maintain the high growth of national economy and improve people livelihood in the realization of MDGs. At present China has possibly exceeded certain goals high of schedule for instance poor population in rural areas decreased 85 millions (20 years ago) to 35 millions. And nine years compulsory education coverage rate has reached 99.3 %. The China government will make further efforts to make more achievements before 2015 make efforts and contributions to the realization of MDGs. China government pays great attention to the development and protection of HR in Xinjiang and other ethnic minority areas the government held a seminar in May to work out the road map for long term stability and development for Xinjiang. The assessment for progress is undergoing smoothly the implementation rather of the outcomes is proceeding smoothly. As the most popular countries in protection of HR and fundamental freedoms China face with great challenges . China government will



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make further efforts in the specific situation of the country to overcome difficulties and cooperate with relevant UN organizations and mechanisms to promote economic development and human rights course”.

Date of the statement: 16th HRC session - 18 March 2011

“Since our UPR in February 2009 we actively implemented the relevant recommendation. The outcome has maintained the fast and sustained growth of our national economy. We attach importance to raising our peoples livelihood and we have increased investment in education and in health areas. We have expanded employment opportunities for the rural areas and urban areas, and we have also raised the standard for the minimum wage and pension system. We have also paid attention to our legal system development and the right interest to vulnerable groups and development of minority groups. ”

Date of the statement: 17th HRC session - 9 June 2011

"After being reviewed by the UPR in February 2009, the Chinese government has been actively implementing all relevant recommendations made at the UPR and committed to furthering social and economic development raising peoples' living standards, strengthening democracy, and the rule of law, and enhancing social equality, and justice according to the actual conditions in China. China will continue to proceed from China's actual conditions constantly promoting the progress in social and economic development and the cause of human rights based on the principle of equality and mutual respect."

Date of the statement: 18th HRC session - 23 September 2011



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“Since its UPR review in 2009, my government has, in the light of its own national conditions, worked actively to implement all the recommendations. My government has not only worked hard to improve economy and improve people’s livelihood, it has also endeavored to establish democracy, and the rule of law, as a way to bring about justice and equity in society, and to promote the comprehensive progress in economic, social, and cultural rights, and civil and political rights. My country has drafted and implemented the first National Human Rights Action Plan 2009-2010. After two years of hard work, all the measures contained in the Action Plan are being implemented successfully, and all the targets have been met”.