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STATEMENT

By Viet Nam Peace and Development Foundation (VPDF)
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Mr. President,

We are working in the field of peace and development at the grassroots level, we are close to our people's thinking and their aspiration.

Since the first UPR cycle, despite difficulties and challenges, the Government of Viet Nam has been continuing to make efforts in the human rights promotion and protection for its people by maintaining peace and stability, improving living conditions and facilitating the exercise of people's rights.

The on-going process of building a State of law has provided further conditions for Vietnamese people to participate actively and dynamically in the country's political, socio-economic and cultural life.

The Vietnamese people and their organizations have actively engaged in the recent Constitution amendment and legal system reform. They have been provided with further space and opportunities to participate in genuine dialogues with authorities and to implement relevant programmes on human rights, including those for supporting vulnerable groups of women, children, persons with disabilities and ethnic minorities.

Though there remains room for human rights improvement in the country, the fact is that things are getting ever better for people's benefits.

Mr. President,

Taking this opportunity, we recommend that the Government of Viet Nam:

1. Step up efforts and allocate more adequate resources for enhancing the enjoyment of human rights by our people.
2. Create more favorable conditions for all stakeholders to effectively participate in the decision-making process of the country.

I thank you.