**Statement by Myanmar Delegation**

**During Interactive Dialogue with the Commission of Inquiry on Burundi**

**At 38th Session of Human Rights Council**

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**Mr. President,**

* We thank the delegation of Burundi for their comprehensive presentation which reflects the ongoing deliberations and efforts to strengthen the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedom of its people. We also take note the oral update of the COI on Burundi.
* As a member of the Non-Aligned Movement, we share the common view that country-specific resolutions and mandates in the Council against the principles of universality, objectivity, non-selectivity, avoidance of double standards and politicization as enshrined in resolution 60/251 and IB Package of the Human Rights Council. It will not create a constructive, conducive and meaningful human rights dialogue with concerned countries.
* In this regard, my delegation would like to reiterate our consistent position that any action taken to improve the human rights situation of a country should be based on the principle of cooperation and consent of the concerned country.
* We firmly agree that UPR mechanism is a suitable forum to address human rights issues, providing equal treatment to all UN Member States, through dialogue, comments, suggestions and recommendations in good faith. We are encouraged by the fact that Burundi successfully passed third cycle of UPR and has accepted several recommendations, including those made by Myanmar.
* We call for the international community to support Burundi’s endeavors for promotion and protection of human rights including implementing the accepted UPR recommendations through technical assistance and capacity building.
* I thank you, Mr. President.

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