

## Statement by Malaysia 51<sup>st</sup> Regular Session of the Human Rights Council Panel Discussion on the Negative Impact of the Legacies of Colonialism on the Enjoyment of Human Rights

Malaysia appreciates the insights shared by the Panellists.

- 2. Malaysia acknowledges the impacts of colonialism that are still being felt to this day. As a post-colonial State, Malaysia has been focussing on nation-building process, amidst great challenges, since our independence. The Government has taken various efforts to foster national unity based on common values and mutual respect, cognisant of the diverse cultures and traditions of the people.
- 3. We are proud of our unity in diversity, which has provided the solid foundation for economic development. Since Malaysia gained its independence, our economic performance has been consistent, sustainable and resilient. We stand ready to share our experiences and best practices with other developing countries.
- 4. Here, we underline the need for global cooperation and solidarity in addressing the persistent impacts of colonialism. We believe that developing countries should continue to bolster their cooperation, and support one another towards achieving economic strength and independence. South-South cooperation remains an important and useful platform to collaborate, increase our capacities and coordination in our strategies to address mutual global challenges.
- 5. We note with concern that the modern form of colonialism is emerging now, and countries are affected by it in all aspects. In this regard, we would like to seek the panellists' views on how States can address the impact of neo-colonialism on development?

Thank you.

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