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The Maldives delegation would like to welcome the high-level delegation from Lao People's Democratic Republic to Geneva and would like to take this opportunity to wish the delegation a very successful dialogue with the UPR Working Group.

Mr. President,

The Maldives commends the measures taken by the Government of Laos to provide assistance and promote access to healthcare, especially for those in the remote areas, the victims of the Indochina War and people with disabilities. The Maldives applauds Laos for expanding healthcare infrastructures and as a result, having achieved a steady decrease in maternal and child mortality rates.

The Maldives notes that poverty alleviation remains a top priority and a main challenge for Laos, and would like to recommend that Laos seeks further technical assistance from the relevant international organizations to ensure the continual success in the path of achieving human rights and equal access to education, health, employment and livelihood to all.

Thank you.