COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMME DOCUMENT FOR MALAYSIA

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| **Comments by USA** | **UNDP Response** |
| We request more information and clarifications about the terminology and implications of paragraphs 10(b) and 10(c), particularly 10(c). What is the origin of “Malaysia and the World”? Is this a UNDP proposal, or is this Malaysia’s global strategy? If the latter, we recommend that it be removed from the CPD, as CPD instruments are meant to focus on the remaining development needs of the program country; incorporating building out Malaysia’s external development programs or priorities is not appropriate for the inclusion in a CPD. If South-South Cooperation is a means that can help meet the strategic priorities outlined in paragraphs 13 and beyond, then 10(c) should be clarified to note that South South Cooperation will be deployed, where relevant, as part of program design. | We wish to clarify that “Malaysia and the World” is not Malaysia’s global strategy. It is a UNDP approach suggested to the government to leverage the UNDP global network to enhance mutual learning and sharing of solutions based on best practices and lessons learned.  We amended paragraphs 10 and 10c to clarify that this is a UNDP approach and to include, as suggested, the specific reference that South-South Cooperation will be deployed, where relevant, as part of programme design. |