Views on the Situation of the Rights of Older Persons

1. Today's global people live longer than ever thanks to the developments in the bio-technology. On the other hand, the rise in the population of older persons has become a social problem to be reckoned with all countries in the world especially with developing countries. Therefore, there is a need to address an ageing issue with attention.

2. It is found that a country cannot settle an ageing issue only with its traditional ways. Being a global issues, ageing issue is to be unitedly solved in the form of global family. Ways and means to solve the ageing problem should be developed and shared and researches are also to be conducted.

3. Respective Governments, taking a leading role, should carry out ageing programmes by forming National Committee for Ageing individually. In addition, policies and guidelines on ageing and long term plan of action are to be developed and Net-work among Government, UN Agencies and social organizations should be established.

4. There is a need to protect from ageism and age discrimination. It is also necessary to fulfill the principles and rights of older persons such as independence, participation, care, self-fulfillment, dignity, life long education and health care, not only providing financial assistance.

5. The United Nations should lead to conduct global movements for the well-being of older persons all over the world. Myanmar will collaborate with UN Agencies, International Organizations and Regional Countries in the implementation of taking care and welfare of older persons.