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Statement of the Republic of Korea

Thank you Madam President.

The Republic of Korea welcomes the efforts put forward by the Government of Pakistan to implement the recommendations made during the previous cycle of the UPR. We especially welcome its endeavors to ratify four important international human rights instruments namely ICCPR, CAT, CRPD and OPSC.

Bearing in mind the expressed commitment of the Government of Pakistan to the protection and promotion of human rights, my delegation would like to make two recommendations:

First, we would like to recommend that the Government of Pakistan continue its ongoing efforts to advance the rights of women and make similar efforts in the protection and promotion of the rights of children, especially by adopting the relevant legal instruments.

Second, the Republic of Korea would like to join a number of countries and international organizations in recommending once again that Pakistan accede to the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees. Its accession to the Convention would complement and reinforce its strong current contribution as it represents the largest refugee host country. Thank you. /END/