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We thank the distinguished delegation of Pakistan for their presentation (and for answers provided to our advance questions).

With regard to our previous recommendations, we welcome measures adopted to improve labor rights, and are pleased to note that Pakistan has taken steps to integrate a gender perspective in its policies and programs and to advance the rights of women. Despite these efforts, women in the country continue to face strong inequalities and discrimination. We therefore **recommend** to Pakistan to put in place effective monitoring and reporting mechanisms to ensure respect for women's rights and to address violence against women in all its forms.

We welcome the ratification by Pakistan of the ICESCR, ICCPR, CAT, CRPD and of the Optional Protocol to the CRC on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. We **recommend** that the country aligns its national legislation with the ratified international human rights treaties. Furthermore, we **recommend** that Pakistan withdraws the remaining reservations to ICCPR and to CAT.

Thank you.