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Statement by Pakistan for the UPR of Jordan
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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the delegation of Jordan and thanks H.E. Mohammad Al Momani, Minister of State for Media Affairs for presenting a national report. We commend the government of Jordan for a comprehensive and multi-stakeholder follow-up approach for implementation of recommendations, received during the first cycle of the UPR.

We appreciate the Government of Jordan for a number of legislative measures for protection and promotion of human rights in particular Protection from Domestic Violence Bill, Judicial Independence Bill and Children's Rights Bill. These steps certainly reflect commitment of the Government of Jordan to fully comply with its international human rights obligations.

We acknowledge the efforts of the Government of Jordan for protecting right of women and children. We believe that the adoption of Personal Status Act as well as amendments in the House of Representatives Election Act to enhance women's representation in society are positive and noteworthy developments.

Mr. President,

In conclusion, my delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

a. Take measures aimed at further strengthening of national human rights institutions and continue its policy of aligning national legislations with international obligations

b. Continue to focus on human rights education through awareness raising campaigns as well as necessary legislations.

I thank you.