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

My delegation welcomes the delegation of Yemen and thanks H.E. Hooria Mashhour, Minister of Human Rights for presenting the second national report.

Mr. President,

We commend the government of Yemen for a number of administrative and legislative measures to strengthen national institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights. These measures include the preparation of National Human Rights Bill, appointment of human rights coordinators and establishment of Technical Committee for Human Rights.

We acknowledge the number of challenges faced by the government of Yemen such as poverty, unemployment and non-availability of health services. We strongly believe that the commitment of the government of Yemen and support of international community would help in improving the socio-economic indicators.

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

- take necessary measures to promote girls' access to education, particularly in rural areas.
- Continue its efforts to adopt programs and projects to combat poverty and reduce unemployment.
- take measures to improve women's participation in the political process and the various aspects of life.