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Statement by Pakistan for the UPR of Costa Rica
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Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the delegation of Costa Rica and conveys appreciation for presenting a detailed second UPR report. This report indeed presents a frank assessment including achievements and challenges faced by Costa Rica while ensuring the realization of human rights of its people.

We commend the efforts of the government of Costa Rica including the establishment of the Inter-Institutional Commission on Follow-Up to and Compliance with International Human Rights Obligations (CIIDDHH).

We acknowledge the efforts of the government through national legislations and programmes to prevent violence against women and children, ensure gender equity as well as access to education and health care.

The government of Costa Rica has also made efforts to combat Racism, Racial Discrimination and Xenophobia including introduction of National Policy in 2013. We wish success in its implementation through concrete actions on ground.

Mr. President,

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

- take necessary measures for the realization of women rights in rural and remote areas;
- continue with its efforts to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia as well as set up mechanisms to prosecute perpetrators of racist acts;