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Thank you Mr. Vice - President

Afghanistan would like to extend a warm welcome to the distinguished delegation of Denmark headed by His Excellency Minister of the Foreign Affairs to the 24th session of the UPR working group and thanks them for the informative and comprehensive presentation of its national report.

Afghanistan appreciates the commitment and efforts of the Government of Denmark for a holistic and inclusive approach to refugees and immigrants based on Danish integration act and programme. We likewise note with appreciation the number of initiatives introduced to promote gender equality and human right in Denmark. Furthermore, we acknowledge Denmark's intention to collaborate with all the national stakeholders to ensure that both the principle and practice of human rights are applied and respected.

While appreciating measures taken for the integration asylum seekers in the Danish community, we wish to recommend Denmark to ensure that asylum seekers and children of the refugees receive the same quality of education as other children in the Danish schools.

Finally, Afghanistan acknowledges all the positive initiations that are designed to strengthen refugees' ability to integrate into Danish society and wish the delegation of Denmark a successful UPR review.

Thank you Mr. President