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Statement by Pakistan for the UPR of Estonia

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Mr. President,

My delegation would like to thank the delegation of Estonia for the presentation of its 2nd national report on UPR.

We take note with appreciation of Estonia's efforts to implement recommendations received during the first cycle of the UPR.

We commend the ongoing national legislation for strengthening protection of human rights as well as ratification of international human rights instruments, including Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2012), the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2012) and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict (2014). We also appreciate introduction of a number of strategies, including, among others, Special Care Development Plan, Social Integration Strategy, Inclusive education, Roma Integration Strategy and Active Aging Development Plan to advance human rights in the country.

My delegation would like to recommend the following:

1. Establish national human rights institution in accordance with Paris Principles; and
2. Continue to implement Child Protection Act.

I thank you.