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Statement by Pakistan for the UPR of Solomon Islands

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Mr. President,

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

We take note with appreciation of Solomon Island's efforts to implement recommendations received during the first cycle of the UPR and efforts to create laws and develop systems to implement human rights which include gender equality, enhancement of the rights of women and children, economic empowerment, and access to justice.

We commend the ongoing national legislation for strengthening protection of human rights as well as ratification of international human rights instruments, and enacting laws such as The Family Protection Act (FPA) 2014, The Land and Titles (Amendment) Act 2014, National Strategy for the Economic Empowerment of Women and Girls which was endorsed by Cabinet in August 2015, National Education Action Plan, National Policy on Disability Inclusive Development, and National Health Strategic Policy 2011-2015.

We also appreciate the efforts of the government for poverty alleviation, support to vulnerable members of society, access to health care, access to quality education; increased economic growth and equitable distribution of wealth, utility

and infrastructure development, protection from natural disasters and improved governance in order to achieve sustainable development goals.

My delegation would like to recommend the following:

1. Continue to implement laws and regulations for protection and socio-economic growth of women and rights of children; and
2. Continue to work closely with international human rights institutions.

We wish Solomon Islands t a successful review.

I thank you.