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Statement by Pakistan for the UPR of Somalia

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Mr. President,

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

We appreciate the steps taken by Somalia for the protection and promotion of human rights in the last 4 years. It is indeed encouraging to note that it has made concerted efforts to implement recommendations received during the 1st cycle of the UPR.

In spite of challenges, we commend Somalia's efforts to promote and protect rights of its citizens by introducing reforms and enacting laws. We welcome the ratification of Convention on the Rights of the Child. We appreciate Somalia's continued constructive engagement with OHCHR, including the ongoing technical cooperation and assistance for capacity- building in the field of human rights.

In conclusion, we would like to recommend the following:

1. Continue to promote access to education; and
2. Continue to implement National Human Rights Roadmap.

I thank you.