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**Statement by Pakistan for Papua New Guinea UPR**  
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Mr. President

My delegation thanks ----- for the comprehensive presentation of Papua New Guinea's national report on UPR.

My delegation takes note of the progress made by Papua New Guinea on the follow up to the recommendations made during the first cycle of UPR. The acceptance of recommendations and their implementation are encouraging.

We welcome the efforts of the government of Papua New Guinea to promote fundamental freedoms and protect human rights. In this regard, we take note of the adoption of the Family Protection Act (2013), which criminalized domestic violence, the Child Protection Act (2015), The adoption of Trafficking in Persons National Action Plan to strengthen the capacity of law enforcement agencies and judicial bodies to identify trafficking cases and act on them.

My delegation recommends to Papua New Guinea:

1. to take concrete measures to protect women, who remain marginalized, discriminated against and at the high risk of being subjected to violence,
2. to continue its efforts to achieve its goals of universal education, gender empowerment and free education,
3. to provide access to basic services such as health, education, justice to populations living in remote areas.

We, once again, thank the delegation of Papua New Guinea for a comprehensive presentation of the National Report on UPR and wish them the best during the review.

I thank you.