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Statement by Pakistan for Sudan UPR
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Mr. President

My delegation would like to thank ----- for the comprehensive presentation of Sudan's national report on UPR.

My delegation takes note with appreciation of the progress made by Sudan in the follow up to the first cycle of UPR. The acceptance of 121 and partially accepted 12 recommendations is a positive step. We also appreciate cooperation of Sudanese government with the United Nations Development Programme in the implementation of those recommendations.

We welcome the efforts of the government of Sudan to promote fundamental freedoms and protect human rights. In this regard, we take note of:

- The measures taken to protect the victims of trafficking, ensure freedom of information, promote education, strengthen health sector and efforts to combat poverty;
- The implementation of regulations for the Child Act, issuance of The Civil Registration Act, and the measure taken for protection and promotion of women. The national policy for the empowerment of women and their participation in the national legislature;
- The National Plan to Promote and Protect Human Rights in the Sudan based on civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights. The ratification of the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol in 2014 and measures taken for the protection of environment and climate change.

My delegation would like to recommend:

1. Sudan to consider ratifying international instruments especially, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
2. To continue reviewing policies for effective implementation of the SDGs;
3. As pointed out in their national report we also urge the international community to recognize the challenges Sudan is facing and provide Sudan with technical assistance to meet its obligations.

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

I thank you.