**National Statement, delivered by Third Secretary, Danyal Hasnain, during the 4th UPR Review of Finland**

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Mr. Vice President,

We thank and welcome the delegation of Finland for presentation of its 4th UPR report.

 We welcome Finland’s legislative, administrative and policy measures to promote the human rights agenda, especially the iterations of National Action Plan on Fundamental and Human Rights and the Government’s Action Programme 2021 to combat racism. Finland’s progress on Sustainable Development Goals is also noteworthy.

 We recommend the following:

* Continued actions to end domestic violence, violence against women and combating racial discrimination;
* Enhanced efforts for protection of rights of migrants and vulnerable groups;
* Ensuring access to health services by everyone without any discrimination; and
* Further strengthening of national human rights institutions including through greater resource allocation.

We wish Finland a successful review.

I thank you!