**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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**Review of Pakistan**

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Kazakhstan welcomes the delegation of Pakistan to the fourth cycle of UPR and would like to express gratitude for its significant role in the UN Human Rights Council as a coordinator of the OIC group.

We commend the concrete legislative and policy measures Pakistani Government has taken to implement recommendations received during the previous cycles of UPR. Particularly, Kazakhstan appreciates country’s active engagement with the UN human rights mechanisms, strengthening NHRIs as well as the major national and local reforms aimed, among other things, at accelerating the implementation of the human rights of vulnerable groups and combating violence against women and children.

My delegation would like to make the following recommendations:

* Enhance its efforts to improve health facilities and increase access to healthcare.
* Continue the effective implementation of the National Action Plan with the full participation of civil society and NHRIs.
* Ensure the effective implementation of the legislation on gender-based violence.

We wish the delegation of Pakistan a successful review.