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

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Mr. President,

We welcome the delegation of Switzerland and appreciate the steps taken by it to combat racial discrimination, to promote measures for protection and social integration of migrants and foreign nationals as well as the enactment of the National Human Rights Institution.

We have the following recommendations:

1. Intensify efforts to provide religious minority communities with equal access to opportunities;
2. Revisit legislation and policies that are inconsistent with international human rights norms on freedom of expression and opinion;
3. Strengthen and safeguard the economic and social rights of migrants and foreign workers; and
4. Take measures to provide children with a migration background with equal access to education.

We wish Switzerland a successful UPR.

I thank you!