**National Statement, delivered by Danyal Hasnain, Third Secretary,**

**during the 4th UPR Review of Burundi**

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Madam Vice President,

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

We appreciate Burundi’s cooperation with the UN human rights and UPR mechanisms. We also commend it for legislative and policy measures taken for furthering the human rights agenda, including Act No. 1/022 of 2018 on the establishment and functioning of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission; Act No. 1/07 of 2020 on the Burundi Health-Care Services Code; and Act No. 1/12 of 2020 on the Burundi Social Protection Code.

We have the following recommendations:

* Continue implementing measures to provide quality education for children, especially from the most marginalized groups;
* Continue to allocate greater resources under the National Health Policy 2016–2025, and ensure the continuous improvement in the healthcare infrastructure; and
* Strengthen efforts to remove the obstacles for women empowerment under the National Programme for Women’s Economic Empowerment 2021–2027.

We wish Burundi a successful UPR.

I thank you!