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**30thsession of the UPR Working group**

**Consideration of the UPR Report of Russian Federation**

**Statement by Pakistan**

**(May 14, 2018)**

Mr. President,

Pakistan welcomes the delegation of Russian Federation and thanks the head of delegation for a comprehensive presentation of their national report.

We note with appreciation the establishment of offices of human rights commissioners in all the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and adoption of a number of legislative amendments to strengthen the independence of judges.

My delegation recommends the Government of the Russian Federation to:

1. Continue its efforts to provide State support to families with children and for improving their living conditions including through increasing pensions
2. Continue to ensure education, social adaptation and social integration of children with disabilities
3. Adopt further measures for implementing its national policy, inter alia, in order to ensure equality of human rights and freedoms regardless of race, nationality, language, religion or belief; and provide appropriate government funding of related activities
4. Take additional steps to combat and prevent dissemination and propaganda of ideologies, supremacy ideas or theories based on race, ethnic, religious or social origin that justify or encourage any form of racial hatred and discrimination
5. Actively participate in the international exchange of best practices in the promotion and protection of human rights

We wish the Government of Russian Federation a successful review.

I thank you Mr. President.