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**33Rd session of the UPR Working group**

**Consideration of the UPR Report of Brunei Darussalam**

**Statement by Pakistan**

(Friday May 10, 2019)

Mr. President,

Pakistan warmly welcomes the distinguished Foreign Minister of Brunei Darussalam and his delegation. We commend a comprehensive presentation of their national report.

We note with appreciation Brunei Darussalam’s commitment to the welfare and well-being of differently-abled persons, especially children which is reflected in its ongoing schemes of pensions for the Blind, Mental Disorder Allowance, and Disabled Pension and Allowance. My delegation also appreciates Brunei’s programmes which focus on social services, education and community development, for enabling the youth to become disciplined and productive members of the society.

We admire Brunei for being a model of peace, stability and progress.

Pakistan recommends the Government of Brunei Darussalam to:

1. Continue its commitment in caring for the welfare and well-being of differently-abled persons including increased collaboration with relevant local NGOs;
2. Continue to implement programmes that empower youth in different areas including those related to entrepreneurship; and
3. Ensure effective operations of the Youth Entrepreneurship Steering Committee

We wish Brunei Darussalam a successful review.

I thank you Mr. President.