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**34th session of the UPR Working group**

**Consideration of the UPR Report of Italy**

**Statement by Pakistan**

(Monday, November 4, 2019)

Mr. President,

Pakistan welcomes the delegation of Italy and thanks them for presentation of their national report.

We note with appreciation the adoption of Action Plan to combat violence against women (2017–2020).

My delegation recommends Italy to:

1. Take steps to protect the lives of migrants, including asylum seekers and victims of trafficking in persons
2. Resume search and rescue operations in the Central Mediterranean and ensure the presence of qualified personnel to identify and provide first aid to the most vulnerable groups
3. Investigate all allegations of ill-treatment and excessive use of force against asylum seekers and migrants, punish the perpetrators and ensure that law enforcement officials receive appropriate professional training

We wish Italy a successful review.

I thank you Mr. President.