



**National statement by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, during General Debate under  
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**Mr. President,**

Pakistan acknowledges and ascribes to the significant role played by the Human Rights Council and the technical assistance mandate.

We have been a steadfast contributor to OHCHR and the various voluntary funds in different thematic areas including UPR, victims of torture and so forth.

We believe that the Council has a substantial role in assisting states in protecting and furthering human rights and development of their people by providing them with tailored help in specific areas, in their pursuit of implementing international obligations and furthering national priorities.

Henceforth, we reiterate our strong support, both political and financial, for full and effective mandate of the Human Rights Council.

Pakistan strongly believes that the technical cooperation mandate should not be used a political tool and we discourage any such attempts which may create a doubt on the credibility of this eminent body.

**Mr. President,**

We have taken note of the High Commissioner's report regarding technical assistance to Yemen.



Pakistan supports dialogue and engagement as useful tools to advance the global human rights agenda. This applies to the situation in Yemen as well.

We highlight the need for the renewal of truce and call upon all parties to the conflict in Yemen to engage in a meaningful dialogue to end hostilities and ensure regional peace and stability.

We also fully support the initiatives by the GCC and the Saudi efforts for peaceful settlement of the conflict in Yemen.

**Mr. President,**

Pakistan believes that if the principles encapsulated in UNGA resolution 60/251, are implemented in true spirit and in an impartial manner, the technical assistance program can prove to be highly significant vehicle for a more profound international cooperation and dialogue at the Council, which will be extremely meaningful to help developing states to overcome the challenges they face to further human rights and development agenda.

We call upon the global community to help the developing states in grappling with economic, social, health and development challenges especially in the context of COVID pandemic, global financial crunch and climate catastrophe.

**Mr. President,**

We call on the Council and wider UN human rights bodies to continue their invaluable assistance to the developing states especially in the backdrop of Covid-19 pandemic and Climate Change.

I thank you!