



National Statement, delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during the Interactive Dialogue with the Independent Expert on the Promotion of a Democratic and Equitable International Order
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Madam Vice President,

Pakistan thanks the Independent Expert for his report and wish him a successful and productive tenure.

We appreciate the broad outlines provided by the IE, especially, his focus on bridging the geopolitical divide for furthering the democratic international order.

Echoing his assertion that democracy entails due respect for the independence and sovereign equality of States and their equal participation in global decision-making, Pakistan has long supported the calls for democratization of the international order.

We underline that in a global and interdependent world, there is a correlation between national and international levels and everyone is entitled to the full realization of all human rights.

It is, also, important that global accords of, today and tomorrow, should be equity-based, have provisions for capacity building, access to technology and knowledge-sharing, and sustainable financing.

Madam Vice President,

While the international order is predicated upon the will of “*we the people*” and humankind’s aspirations for self-determination; however, regrettably, the decades long foreign occupation in various UN recognized situations of foreign occupation has disenfranchised these people from the democratic international order.

Mr. Independent Expert,

My delegation would request you to share your views on the inextricable linkage of access to technology, knowledge-sharing, and sustainable financing on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order.

I thank you!