



**National Statement, delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during ID
with High Commissioner on Human Rights Annual Report**
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Mr. Vice President,

We thank the High Commissioner for presenting his Annual Report and reaffirm our support to his mandate.

We reiterate our firm commitment to uphold all human rights and deepen our engagement with the UN human rights mechanisms including the UN Special Procedures and Mandate Holders and the UPR.

Mr. High Commissioner,

Pakistan welcomes the recent steps taken by several countries to recognize the State of Palestine.

We share your concerns regarding the deplorable situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and appreciate you for speaking out in accordance with your mandate and calling for an immediate end to the slaughter.

We earnestly hope your important voice – and the growing international chorus – will not continue to fall on deaf ears.

We would also welcome the Office of the High Commissioner's continued monitoring of the human rights situation in Occupied Jammu & Kashmir through an updated report.

As in Palestine, the denial of right to self-determination of the people of Jammu & Kashmir consistent with UNSC resolutions and its status as an internationally recognized disputed territory now exceeds three-quarters of a century.

The just cause of the people under occupation in Palestine and Jammu & Kashmir serve as constant reminders for this Council to uphold the indivisibility and interdependence of all human rights for everyone, everywhere.

I thank you.