



**National Statement, Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during the 4th UPR Review
of Malta
(45th Session of UPR)
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Mr. Vice President,

We welcome the delegation of Malta and appreciate Malta's cooperation with UN human rights mechanisms including the UPR mechanism.

We appreciate the steps taken by Malta for combatting racial discrimination, promoting measures for protection and social integration of migrants and launching awareness raising program against racism in the society, including Islamophobia.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, we have the following recommendations:

- i. Intensify efforts to provide religious minority communities with equal access to opportunities;
- ii. Strengthen and safeguard the economic and social rights of migrants and foreign workers; and
- iii. Take measures to address the practice of arbitrarily detaining refugees and migrants and ensure that no child is detained.

We wish Malta a successful UPR.

I thank you!