



National Statement during General Debate under Item 2
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Mr. Vice President,

Pakistan thanks the High Commissioner for his oral update and commends the continued attention of his Office on the human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory

Pakistan demands an immediate and unconditional ceasefire; unhindered provision of humanitarian relief; as well as a lasting end to Israel's illegal occupation and atrocities against the Palestinian people.

Mr. Vice President,

Illegal occupation and the denial of self-determination are the recipe for violence and suffering.

In the Illegally Occupied Jammu & Kashmir, India's settler colonial project continues in breach of UN Security Council resolutions.

Arbitrary arrests, torture, summary executions, confiscation of properties, destruction of homes have been inflicted upon the brave Kashmiris.

Political parties are banned and political prisoners remain incarcerated.

The denial and progressive erosion of the inalienable rights of the people of Occupied Jammu & Kashmir represent grave threats to the enjoyment of human rights, not only in the territory itself, but across our region.

Pakistan calls on the OHCHR to produce a third report on the situation in IIOJK.

International human rights actors cannot remain silent spectators of India's settler-colonial project.

Mr. President,

We recognize Sri Lanka's success in bringing economic stability and progress in pursuing tangible post-conflict reconciliation through domestic mechanisms. We appreciate Sri Lanka's engagement with all regular human rights mechanisms.

Mr. High Commissioner,

As for your observations, we remain committed to our obligations under the international human rights law.

I thank you.