



**National Statement, delivered by Mr. Jawad Ali, Minister, during the Enhanced
Interactive Dialogue on OHCHR Report on the Situation of Human Rights in
Afghanistan
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Mr. President,

We thank the OHCHR for presenting the report and align with the OIC statement.

We are concerned by reports of human rights violations and the international humanitarian law in the country.

We also share the OHCHR's concerns over the exacerbating humanitarian situation in Afghanistan.

Pakistan has repeatedly urged all parties, including the interim Afghan government, to abide by their obligations under international law.

It is important that interim Afghan Government ensures equal access to education for all, especially women and girls.

Mr. President,

It is equally important that the interim Afghan Government upholds its obligations to ensure that Afghan territory is not used for terrorist activities against its neighbors, in line with the Doha Agreement.

Regarding the mention in the report on Pakistan's Illegal Foreigners' Repatriation Plan (IFRP), my delegation would like to stress that for over four decades Pakistan has welcomed our Afghan brothers and sisters with open arms and will always stand with them.

IFRP has focused on the deportation of illegal foreigners, in an orderly and just process, keeping in view our human rights obligations - balancing the country's security concerns with international humanitarian norms.

Pakistan continues to engage closely with international partners including the United Nations to support the people of Afghanistan.

I thank you!