National Statement, during Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan
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Mr. President,

Pakistan thanks the Deputy High Commissioner and Special Rapporteur for their presentations.

While taking note of the Special Rapporteur's report, we reiterate our repeated concerns regarding the humanitarian crisis and ongoing human rights violations in the country.

Pakistan maintains a clear stance on the importance of safeguarding and advancing human rights for all, with particular emphasis on the rights of women and girls.

We acknowledge the SR's concerns over the exclusion of women from the Afghan judicial system and its negative impact on the enjoyment of human rights by the people of Afghanistan, especially women and girls.

We underline that women empowerment remains vital for holistic socioeconomic development of any society and the interim authorities in Afghanistan must fulfil their obligations, under the international law, in this regard.

Earlier this year, Pakistan organized an international conference focused on girls' education, reaffirming it as a fundamental right, in line with Islamic teachings and international human rights law.

Mr. President,

Pakistan has hosted the Afghan people with unmatched hospitality and warmth.

However, terrorism originating from within Afghanistan continues to pose a significant threat to both our nation and the broader region.

Regrettably, the TTP (Fitna Al Khawarij) continues to targed innocent civilians in Pakistan; thereby directly threatening our citizens and undermining their human rights.

We, therefore, urge the Afghan interim authorities to honor their commitments under international law and the Doha Agreement, and ensure that Afghan territory is not used for terrorist activities against neighboring countries.

A stable and peaceful Afghanistan is essential for the peace and development of the entire region.

I thank you!