National statement by Mr. Husham Ahmed, Counsellor, during 4th cycle UPR of Lebanon

(Geneva, 19 January 2026)

Madam Vice President,

Pakistan warmly welcomes Lebanon to its 4th UPR (*Universal Periodic Review*) and thanks the distinguished head of the delegation for presenting the national report.

My delegation appreciates the Government of Lebanon's efforts to promote and protect human rights despite the grave situation emanating from continued Israeli occupation of parts of the country and recurring aggression, especially since 2024.

We especially commend Lebanon's efforts to strengthen national human rights institutions, as recommended by my delegation during the previous UPR cycle.

Madam Vice President,

In the spirit of constructive engagement, Pakistan recommends that Lebanon:

i. Further strengthen the capacity of national human rights institutions, particularly in the field of economic, social and cultural rights; and,
ii. Continue to rehabilitate education infrastructure and uphold the right to education with a special focus on children in vulnerable situations.

We wish Lebanon every success with its 4th UPR.

Thank you.

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