



**General comment by Adeel Mumtaz Khokhar, First Secretary on draft resolution  
A/HRC/61/L.32/Rev.1**

**“Birth registration and the right of everyone to recognition everywhere as a person  
before the law”  
(Geneva, 30 March 2026)**

**Mr. President,**

Pakistan thanks the Core Group for presenting the draft resolution L.32/Rev.1. We attach importance to birth registration as a core element of legal identity and recognition before the law.

As a State Party to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), Pakistan has introduced a range of reforms aimed at improving birth registration, including the digitization of civil registration systems through NADRA, mobile registration services for underserved and remote areas, and public awareness initiatives to expand coverage, particularly among marginalized communities.

**Mr. President,**

We recognize the constructive engagement undertaken during the informal consultations. The final text reflects the following important improvements:

**Firstly**, references to occupation have been incorporated, reflecting a crucial human rights concern in an appropriate manner.

**Secondly**, the inclusion of language on capacity constraints and resource limitations, particularly in developing countries, strengthens the development dimension of the resolution.

**Thirdly**, the text includes language on bridging digital divides aligning with shared global priorities.

Pakistan therefore looks forward to joining the consensus on the draft resolution L.32/Rev.1.

**Thank you.**