

Comments by delegation of Pakistan, on the adoption of the outcome Report of Yemen during the 12th Session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva, September 2009

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Mr. President

Pakistan attaches great importance to the UPR mechanism and believes that it enables States to improve their human rights record consistent with their national priorities and international obligations. My delegation welcomes the presence of the honorable Minister for Human Rights Her Excellency Dr. <sup>Abul Karim</sup> and thank her for ~~We thank the delegation of Yemen for its elaborate presentation.~~ elaborate presentation.

Mr. President,

Yemen's strong commitment to the human rights is evident from introducing of the wide ranged reform process in order to improve human rights situation in the country. We are confident that Yemen will take necessary steps to expedite operationalization of an independent human rights institution (in accordance with the Paris Principles) as well as take necessary actions on the implementation of the recommendations they <sup>have</sup> accepted during their review. We hope that Yemen will positively consider those recommendations they have kept under review.

We note with appreciation that Yemen's open and constructive approach towards human rights mechanisms would contribute to promotion and protection of human rights of its people in the best possible manner. We expect that international community would also extend all possible assistance to Yemen for the political, economic and social uplift of its citizens.

In the end we wish the government of Yemen well in its endeavours to promote and protect all human rights of its citizens.

I thank you Mr. President.