

National Statement, delivered by Third Secretary, Danyal Hasnain, during the 4th UPR Review of Argentina (42nd Session of UPR) 23 January 2023

Mr. President,

We warmly welcome the delegation of Argentina and thank it for presentation of its 4th UPR report.

Acknowledging the gravity of COVID related socio-economic challenges, we appreciate Argentina's efforts to strengthen social protection systems and priority given to ensuring universal health care and free access to vaccines.

We welcome the enactment of the National Plan against Discrimination 2021–2024, Minimum Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Budgets Act and other legislative, policy and administrative measures.

We recommend Argentina the following:

- i. Further reinforce the mechanisms guaranteeing against excessive use of force and arrests and abuses by the police and security forces, especially against the vulnerable groups;
- ii. Take concrete measures to tackle the persistent structural discrimination, particularly against the indigenous peoples; and
- iii. Ensure judicial reforms and intensify training courses for security forces and prison officers to eradicate practices that violate human rights.

We wish Argentina a successful review!

I thank you!