



**National Statement delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Third Secretary, during the
Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Migrants
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Mr. Vice President,

We thank the SR for the presentation of his report.

Pakistan accords great importance to ensuring safe, orderly and regular migration.

We echo SR's concerns that irregularity increases the vulnerability of migrant workers to human rights violations.

We are deeply saddened by the recent catastrophe that has resulted in hundreds of deaths. Such recurring incidents are stark reminders of perennial shortfalls in the global approach towards migration.

We appreciate the joint statement by UNHCR and IOM on this harrowing tragedy and echo the call for urgent and decisive action to prevent further deaths at the sea.

The growing application of a political lens to international migration and the resultant amplification of ill-informed narratives against migrants is also a serious concern.

Effective migration governance is a shared responsibility of the international community. It requires strong collaboration to address the root causes of irregular migration and ensure the protection of the rights of migrants, including through enhanced labor mobility and decent work and education opportunities, family reunification, and social protection.

Mr. Vice President,

We underscore the salience of the Global Compact for Migration. It provides a sound cooperation framework for establishing sustainable migration governance, globally.

We call upon states to step up and make migration work, for all, in line with their international obligations.

I thank you!