

National Statement delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during the 4th UPR Review of Belize (45th Session of UPR) 29 January 2024

Madam Vice President,

We welcome and thank the delegation of Belize for presentation of their 4th UPR report.

Recognizing the challenges posed by the multifaceted crises resulting from Covid-19 pandemic, we appreciate Belize's cooperation with the UN human rights and UPR mechanisms. We recognize the measures taken for furthering the human rights agenda, including steps for poverty eradication, protection of refugees and tackling trafficking in persons.

In the spirit of constructive dialogue, we recommend the following:

- Continue to allocate greater resources for poverty eradication and social protection, especially for the most marginalized communities;
- Continue government's efforts to strengthen education and healthcare services, especially for women and children;
- Reinforce efforts for preventing and combatting HIV & AIDS.

We wish Belize a successful UPR.

I thank you!