



**National Statement, delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during  
Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the Situation of human rights in  
Afghanistan  
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Mr. Vice President,

We take note of Special Rapporteur's report.

We are concerned by reports of human rights violations and the international humanitarian law in the country.

Pakistan has repeatedly urged all parties, including the interim Afghan government, to abide by their obligations under international law.

It is important that interim Afghan Government ensures equal access to education for all, especially women and girls, in line with Afghanistan's international human rights obligations.

Mr. Vice President,

We share the SR's concerns over the exacerbating humanitarian situation in Afghanistan.

We also echo the SR's assessment that the provision of essential services necessary for the enjoyment of human rights, should not be impeded by sanctions and that the foreign reserves of Afghanistan be released for realizing country's sustainable socioeconomic development.

Mr. Vice President,

For over four decades Pakistan has welcomed our Afghan brothers and sisters with open arms.

Pakistan will always stand with people of Afghanistan.

We call on the Afghan interim authorities to ensure that Afghan territory is not used for terrorist activities against its neighbors, in line with the Doha Agreement.

I thank you!