

National Statement, delivered by Permanent Representative, AmbassadorKhalil Hashmi, during the 4th UPR Review of Bahrain(41st Session of UPR)7 November 2022

Mr. President,

We warmly welcome the high-level delegation of Bahrain led by the Foreign Minister and presentation of its 4th UPR report.

We commend Bahrain and the steady progress it continues to make on several facets of human rights including its cooperation with the UN human rights mechanisms. We welcome Bahrain's commitment to further strengthen national human rights frameworks through institutional, legislative and policy steps, including during the Covid-19 pandemic. We appreciate the legislation on restorative Justice for Children, health insurance Act, prohibition of discrimination against workers.

We have the following recommendations for Bahrain:

- Expand women's development portfolio for commercial activities, especially in small and medium-sized enterprises;
- Further strengthen protection and rights of migrant workers; and
- Continue to reinforce mechanisms to safeguard rights of children.

We wish Bahrain a successful review.

I thank you!