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**Comments by Pakistan on behalf of the OIC Member States on the
“Negotiating Text” – “Advisory Committee, Complaint Procedure,
Agenda and Programme of Work” submitted by the President of
the Human Rights Council during the 2nd Inter-governmental
Working Group on the review of the work and functioning of the
Council (Geneva, 18th February 2011)**

Thank Mr. President

I have the honour to make this statement on behalf of the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Conference. The OIC Member States fully subscribe to the statement made by the Ambassador of Egypt on behalf of the NAM.

Mr. President

At the outset, we would like to acknowledge efforts of the Ambassadors of Romania and India in their capacities as Facilitators for building convergences in their respective clusters.

While endorsing all the drafting proposals specified by Egypt on behalf of NAM, the OIC would like to make the following comments;

- 1) we do not agree with any proposal meant to assign Consultative Group any role with regard to selecting members for the Advisory Committee and would like to maintain present selection procedure as contained in the IB text,
- 2) Social Forum was created by a Council resolution; therefore, we consider that any proposal to change the modalities with regards to the Forum can be accommodated through the HRC resolution,
- 3) *Para 48* – we call for deletion of this paragraph. The idea reflected in this paragraph violates the principles of confidentiality and non-duplication and also stands contrary to admissibility criteria enshrined in Para 87(f) of the IB text. Meanwhile, we expect that Council will ensure better compliance by the Secretariat with regard to the full respect for the admissibility criteria as specified in the IB text,

- 4) *Para 49* - We see no added value in the Working Group on Situations briefing the Council on the proceeding of each of its meetings. We are of the view that any provision of information by the Working Group to the Council should be in line with the paragraph 106 of the IB text,
- 5) *Para 52* – in line with the comments made under the UPR cluster, we reiterate our understanding that the Council's Programme of Work for its remaining regular session should be designated as UPR adoption plenaries shall be exclusively devoted to the adoption of the reports of the UPR Working Group.

In conclusion, Mr. President, we hope that all these comments will be duly addressed in the subsequent text.

I thank you.