

**Right of Reply by India**  
**in response to the Statement by PR of Pakistan: Agenda 114 entitled**  
**“Measures to eliminate international terrorism**  
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I am exercising India’s Right of Reply to the diatribe that we heard yesterday morning from the PR of Pakistan.

**Mr. Chairman,**

This Committee continues to hear confabulations and incessant rant of the Pakistani delegation. For a failed state, it is not yet clear, how low can this delegation stoop. It’s better that the Pakistani delegation does not indulge in whipping out numbers, that they are neither comfortable doling out nor are confident about their veracity.

For a nation that is deeply buried in medievalism, it is understandable that the tenets of a modern civilized society such as peace, dialogue and diplomacy are farfetched.

Let us all be reminded that this is the country that brought genocide to South Asia 39 years back when it killed its own people. This is also the country that is shameless enough not to offer a sincere apology for the horrors it perpetrated even after so many years.

**Mr. Chairman,**

This is the same country that provides pensions for dreaded and listed terrorists out of State funds, has the dubious and unique distinction of hosting the largest number of terrorists proscribed by the United Nations. How can the international community trust a country, whose Prime Minister Imran Khan has called the dreaded terrorist Osama Bin Laden as a “Martyr” in the Pakistani Parliament in July 2020.

This is the country that has systematically cleansed its minorities through the abuse of its blasphemy laws and through forced religious conversions.

For someone who professes to be a champion of Islam, this is also a country that has encouraged killing of fellow Muslims merely because they belonged to a different sect, or to a different region in Pakistan, and through sponsoring terrorist attacks against its neighbours.

The only crowning glory that this country has to show to the world for the last 70 years is terrorism, ethnic cleansing, majoritarian fundamentalism, and clandestine nuclear trade.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Let me assert here loud and clear. The Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir is an integral and inalienable part of India. The rules and legislations brought in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir are strictly internal affairs of India.

The only dispute left in Kashmir relates to that part of Kashmir that is still under illegal occupation of Pakistan. We call upon Pakistan to vacate all those areas that it is in illegal occupation of.

What should rather be on the agenda of the UN is Pakistan's deep state and its unrelenting political and financial support to terrorist organizations and mercenaries which are a threat to global peace and security.

**I thank you, Mr. Chairman.**

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