



**Statement on behalf of OIC by Mr. Afaq Ahmad, Counsellor during ID with SR Myanmar
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Mr. President,

We thank the Special Rapporteur for his oral update.

We remain deeply concerned over human rights impacts arising from the recent armed conflict in the Rakhine state in Myanmar for Rohingya Muslims and other minorities. These conflicts also jeopardize the peace and stability in the region.

25 August 2022 marked the fifth year since thousands of Rohingyas fled unspeakable brutalities in Myanmar and took shelter in Bangladesh. Regrettably, a durable solution to the problem has not yet been found due to Myanmar's absence of cooperation.

We congratulate The Republic of The Gambia for the judgement secured against Myanmar before the ICJ on 22 July, 2022.

Notwithstanding the existing political situation in Myanmar, the international community should not overlook the urgency of an early solution to the crisis of Rohingyas created and aggravated by Myanmar.

The OIC Adhoc Ministerial Committee on human rights violations against Rohingya continues to actively take cognizance of the situation.

The OIC reiterates its calls for meaningful accountability, justice and a permanent solution to the crisis.

The OIC urges Myanmar to:

- a) Immediately stop human rights violations and abuses of all Myanmar people particularly the Rohingya Muslims.
- b) Fully comply with ICJ's provisional measures and cooperate with all ongoing international, regional and national judicial and accountability mechanisms.
- c) Implement all recommendations of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State, including restoring the citizenship of Rohingyas.
- d) Take immediate measures to create a conducive environment with a view to commencing repatriation of the Rohingyas from Bangladesh and other host states to Myanmar with safety and dignity without further delay.

We urge SR to dedicate his full attention to the situation of Rohingyas irrespective of the political situation in Myanmar and continue to focus on concrete measures to find a sustainable solution for Rohingyas.

I thank you.

