



**OIC Statement, delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during Interactive Dialogue on Special Rapporteur's report on Myanmar**

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**Mr. Vice President,**

The OIC takes note of the Special Rapporteur's report.

The report calls for greater focus on human rights situation of long persecuted Rohingya Muslims. We are deeply disturbed by the reported military conscription and forced recruitment and use the Rohingya as human shield.

We are in the seventh year since over a million Rohingyas were forced to flee their homes and seek refuge in Bangladesh. Prolonged uncertainty over the repatriation and frustration are leading to criminal tendencies and violence among the community.

Risks of increasing radicalism and violent extremism among the Rohingya has the potential of undermining regional stability.

We are also alarmed by the diminishing global attention to the humanitarian needs of the Rohingya. We urge the international community, in the true spirit of equal burden- and responsibility-sharing, to keep investing in the wellbeing, safety, and dignity of the Rohingya, and help realize their right to return to their homeland.

**Mr. Vice President,**

The OIC reiterates its calls for meaningful accountability, justice, and a permanent solution to the crisis. Myanmar must fully comply with ICJ's provisional measures, cooperate with the ongoing international justice and accountability mechanisms, implement all recommendations of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State, including clear pathways to citizenship of the Rohingya. The international community and stakeholders in Myanmar must work towards the creation of right conditions for commencing voluntary repatriation of the Rohingya back to Rakhine at a suitable time.

Finally, we urge the Special Rapporteur to dedicate his full attention to the situation of Rohingyas irrespective of the political situation in Myanmar and to continue highlight the critical roles of ASEAN and regional countries on the way forward.

I thank you.