



Statement on behalf of the OIC by Mr. Afaq Ahmad, Counsellor during ID on Secretary General's Report on the Involvement of the United Nations in Myanmar

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Mr. President,

The OIC thanks the Secretary-General for his report.

The OIC reiterates its serious concerns that due to “systemic and structural failures”, the United Nations could not respond to stop, mitigate, or even draw attention to the serious human rights abuses and crimes committed against the Rohingya, in particular the mass atrocities in 2017. Even in the aftermath of 2017 incidents, questions have been raised over the handling of the Rohingya crisis as some of UN entities in Myanmar had not cooperated with the investigation.

The OIC emphasizes that justice, accountability and a durable solution must remain central in the efforts to prevent the recurrence of serious violations of international law. We urge the international community, including the UN, to reinvigorate their efforts towards:

- a) Ending the violence against the Rohingya and bring an end to all human rights abuses;
- b) Promoting enjoyment of their fundamental rights;
- c) Ensuring justice and accountability

The OIC regrets that Myanmar continues to not cooperate with the international community, including the UN.

Unfortunately, absence of Myanmar's genuine political commitment has prevented any meaningful dialogue and creation of a conducive environment, enabling the return of displaced Rohingya from Bangladesh. The OIC urges Myanmar to fully cooperate with the UN and its mechanisms, including Special Rapporteur, Secretary General's Special Envoy and Independent Mechanism for Myanmar.

I thank you.