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### **Statement, delivered on behalf of OIC by Ambassador Tahir Hussain Andrabi, Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN, during Interactive Dialogue with Special Rapporteur on Myanmar at the 45<sup>th</sup> session of Human Rights Council**

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Thank you, Madam President.

I am speaking on behalf of the OIC countries.

OIC thanks the SR for his oral update.

OIC deeply regrets that the Rohingyas continue to be targeted and subjected to systematic abuse, discrimination and indiscriminate attacks by Myanmar Authorities. Their freedom of movement remains restricted. Restrictions on humanitarian access continue. The recent upsurge in violence with arbitrary detention of Rohingyas and prolonged internet shutdown have further exacerbated their vulnerability amid the scourge of COVID-19. All of these resulting in hundreds of Rohingyas undertake precarious journeys at sea by boat.

OIC urges Myanmar:

-to end violence and forced displacement of the Rohingyas.

-to strictly follow the ICJ's interim order, including preventing destruction of evidence of allegations of genocide.

-to fully cooperate with all independent national, regional and international criminal justice and judicial mechanisms as well as with the UN and its relevant human rights mechanisms, including the Independent Mechanism for Myanmar as established by the Human Rights Council.

-to ensure full and safe access to the United Nations agencies, mandate holders and human rights mechanisms, including the Independent Mechanism for Myanmar in Rakhine State and other areas of violence in Myanmar.

-to fully implement all recommendations of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State.  
-to immediately commence repatriation through actively engaging with Bangladesh showing forthright political will.

To conclude, OIC calls on the international community, in the true spirit of interdependence and burden-sharing, to continue to assist Bangladesh in the provision of humanitarian assistance to forcibly displaced Rohingya until their return to Myanmar. We also urge the international community to call on Myanmar to ensure safe, voluntary, dignified and



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sustainable return of the forcibly displaced Rohingyas, including the internally displaced persons, to their places of origin and resolve the Rohingya crisis without further delay.

Thank you.