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H.E. Ambassador Kurt Jäger

Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Mister President,

Liechtenstein thanks the head of the *Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar*, Mr. Koumjian, for the presentation of the report.

The report reveals that the situation in Myanmar continues to be tragic. The population has to suffer from ongoing fighting resulting in numerous human rights violations. There is also strong evidence that serious international crimes, including the war crimes of indiscriminate targeting of civilians, the intentional killing of civilians and combatants who are detained as well as a large-scale destruction of civilian dwellings and other civilian buildings have been and continue to be committed against the people of Myanmar.

One of the only glimmers of hope in this worrying situation emanates from the IIMM which does invaluable work in the collection, preservation and analysis of international crimes committed in Myanmar. The information provided for ongoing court cases is an important cornerstone for justice for the people in Myanmar, in particular the Rohingya Muslims.

We reiterate our full support to the IIMM and encourage States to support the Mechanism particularly to overcome the challenges outlined in the report.

I thank you, Mister President.