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Agenda Item 2:

**Interactive Dialogue on the report
of the Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar (IIMM)**

Oral Statement by

Centre for Civil and Political Rights (CCPR Centre)

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Thank you Mr. President,

The Centre for Civil and Political Rights appreciates the work of the IIMM and welcomes its report.

The fact that the Myanmar military and affiliated militias continue committing crimes against humanity and war crimes with total impunity, but also that such crimes are reportedly committed by other groups fighting against the military including the recent cases of atrocity against Rohingyas, shows how the rule of law and domestic justice system have completely collapsed in Myanmar since the coup.

As stated in the report of the Mechanism, *“No one has yet been held accountable for these crimes,”* while *“the number of serious international crimes in Myanmar”* continues increasing in *“frequency and scale”* and more and more civilians are targeted and killed amid the escalating conflict.

The role of international accountability mechanisms is ever more important to end the culture of impunity in the absence of functioning domestic judicial system to ensure accountability.

Noting that IIMM is sharing the evidence collected with the ICC, ICJ and the Federal Prosecutor’s Office No.9 in Argentina concerning crimes against Rohingyas, efforts of all stakeholders must continue and intensify to assist and enhance these processes. At the same time, there is yet no proceedings at national, regional or international level concerning the crimes committed since the coup.

The lack of accountability is enabling the perpetrators continue committing crimes.

Mr. Koumjian,

What else can be done to enhance the ongoing process at ICC, ICJ and in Argentina? Moreover, who can play a role to initiate process and realise accountability for the crimes committed since the coup?

Thank you President.