



**Statement on behalf of OIC delivered by Amb. Khalil Hashmi during the Interactive Dialogue with the Independent Mechanism on Myanmar**  
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**Mr. President.**

The OIC welcomes the report of the Independent Mechanism and commends the progress being made by it.

It is important for the Mechanism to continue collecting, consolidating, preserving and analysing evidence of the most serious violations of international law committed in Myanmar since 2011, in a manner that no perpetrator who committed crimes against the Rohingyas, remains unidentified.

The Mechanism has a crucial role to play in facilitating and supporting criminal proceedings in order to advance accountability and help bring justice for the Rohingyas. The OIC calls upon the Mechanism to continue its close and timely cooperation with the judicial forums, including the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

We thank Bangladesh and other host countries for their continued support to the Mechanism, including facilitating its visits to the region.

The OIC deeply regrets Myanmar's persistent non-cooperation with the Mechanism, including its indifference to the requests for country visits. Myanmar should fully cooperate with the Mechanism with a view to contributing to delivering justice to the Rohingyas. We also call upon Myanmar not to destroy any evidence.

It is important for the Mechanism to engage with and receive cooperation of all relevant stakeholders for the provision of information. We hope the Mechanism will continue to strengthen its capacities to overcome constraints including thorough use of innovative technologies that may enable the analysis of information and evidence more efficient and effective.

The OIC calls on OHCHR to continue providing appropriate support to the Mechanism to pursue its mandate effectively.

I thank you!