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**REPORT  
OF THE  
AD HOC MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS  
AGAINST THE ROHINGYA**

**HELD ON THE SIDELINES OF THE  
ANNUAL COORDINATION MEETING  
NEW YORK, USA**

**25 SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Report of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee  
on Human Rights Violations Against the Rohingya**

**25 September 2019, New York**

1. The Members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on Human Rights Violations against the Rohingya, met on the sidelines of the Annual Coordination Meeting on 25 September 2019 in New York under the Chairmanship of The Minister of Justice of The Gambia.
2. The Meeting expressed serious concern about the deteriorating security, human rights and humanitarian situation in Rakhine State, and the continued serious violations and abuses of human rights of Rohingya Muslim;
3. The Meeting acknowledged that the work of Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee and its effective functioning are of great importance, given the urgent need for the restoration of the rights of the Rohingya. The Meeting commended the efforts of The Gambia, as Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, to ensure the Myanmar Government would fully comply with international human rights standards;
4. The Meeting called upon all Member States to support the work of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee to pursue justice and accountability for the Rohingya people;
5. The Meeting reiterated that the decision to pursue a legal case in the International Court of Justice (ICJ) was endorsed by Resolutions at the 46<sup>th</sup> CFM in Abu Dhabi and by the Final Declaration of the 14<sup>th</sup> OIC Heads of State Summit in Makkah Al Mukarramah;
6. The Meeting also reiterated the persistent calls of the OIC to its Member States and the international community to use effective political and economic measures bring about Myanmar's compliance with its international obligations;
7. The Meeting was briefed by The Gambia on the legal case to be presented to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in line with Council of Foreign Ministers and Summit decisions;
8. The Meeting acknowledged The Gambia's prerogative to select a legal firm to pursue the case in the ICJ and took note of The Gambia's choice of the legal firm;
9. The Meeting acknowledged the substantial costs required to proceed with the legal case and called upon all OIC Member States to provide assistance on a voluntary basis, in accordance with the principles of burden-sharing and shared responsibility, and in the spirit of Islamic solidarity;
10. The Meeting invited the Chair of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee and the OIC Secretary General to coordinate contacts with Member States and other international partners for raising funds for the legal case at the ICJ and to supervise those funds and any disbursements thereof.
11. The Meeting requested the Chair of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee to provide comprehensive briefing, including on the financial and legal process, to the Committee and submit a comprehensive report to the next meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers;

- 12.** The Meeting recommended adding an item on pledges for the legal case undertaken by The Gambia to the agenda of the 47<sup>th</sup> session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.
- 13.** The Meeting also requested the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and the Islamic Solidarity Fund (ISF) to provide necessary assistance to Ad Hoc Committee in pursuing its mandate and with the legal case;
- 14.** The Meeting urged the Members of the OIC Ad hoc Ministerial Committee on Accountability for Human Rights Violations Against the Rohingya to continue with its mandate to carry out the tasks of ensuring accountability and justice for gross violations of international human rights and humanitarian laws and principles; Assisting in information gathering and evidence collection for accountability purposes; Mobilizing and coordinating international political support for accountability for the Human Rights Violations against the Rohingya in Myanmar;
- 15.** The Meeting called upon OIC Member States and the international community to continue their efforts to ensure the return of all Myanmar refugees displaced from their homes in a safe, dignified and voluntary basis and intensify their efforts in international fora to restore the nationality and citizenship rights of Rohingya as well as protecting the rights of Muslim minorities in Myanmar.
- 16.** This report is submitted to the Annual Coordination Meeting for its information.

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