



**REPORT**  
**OF THE OPEN-ENDED MEETING OF THE AD HOC MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE**  
**ON ACCOUNTABILITY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST THE**  
**ROHINGYA**

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1. The OIC Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on Accountability for Human Rights Violations against the Rohingya, held an open-ended meeting, on 22 March 2022, in Islamabad on the sidelines of the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, chaired by the Republic of The Gambia.
2. The Meeting recalled the decision to pursue a legal case in the International Court of Justice (ICJ) as endorsed by the 46<sup>th</sup> Session of the CFM and the 14th Islamic Summit Conference.
3. The Meeting recognized the central role of the OIC Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee and the firm commitment of the members of the Committee to pursue justice and accountability for the Rohingya Muslims;
4. The Meeting reiterated its call on all OIC Member States to support the work of the OIC Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee to pursue justice and accountability for the Rohingya Muslims;
5. The Meeting welcomed the statement of the OIC Secretary General and commended his resolute commitment in raising global awareness on the predicament of the Rohingya and his constant efforts to galvanize the support of the international community for the cause of the Rohingya Muslims.
6. The Secretary General underlined the need to redouble OIC's collective efforts and lay out a roadmap on the way forward to seize the current unprecedented momentum to bring justice and accountability to the Rohingya Muslims with a view to achieving a just, final and durable solution to their plight.
7. The Meeting was also briefed by The Gambia, Chair of the Committee, on the status of the Case against Myanmar at the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the recent efforts taken by The Gambia and the way forward regarding this Case.
8. The Meeting expressed grave concern at continuing reports of serious human rights violations and abuses by the military and security forces as well as persistent blatant violations of the human rights of the Rohingya Muslims, including after Myanmar's military coup on 1 February 2021.
9. The Meeting underlined the importance of holding accountable all those responsible for brutal acts and crimes against the Rohingya Muslims, in order to deliver justice to victims using all legal instruments and international judicial mechanisms, including the International Court of Justice.

10. The Meeting expressed deep concern about the ongoing restrictions on humanitarian access in Rakhine State, including denying access to health care for the Rohingya, particularly in the context of COVID-19.
11. The Meeting commended the leading role of The Gambia, as Chair of the OIC Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee, for spearheading OIC's efforts in the international arena to ensure that Myanmar would fully comply with international human rights standards and principles;
12. The Meeting expressed gratitude to the People's Republic of Bangladesh and other OIC Member States for their generosity in hosting and sheltering the Rohingya refugees; and commend the Government of Bangladesh for containing the spread of the COVID-19 virus in the Rohingya camps since the outbreak of the pandemic and for including Rohingya Muslims refugees in the national vaccination drive.
13. The Meeting called on all OIC Member States and the international community to further support Bangladesh in providing humanitarian assistance to the Rohingya refugees until their voluntary, safe, dignified and sustainable repatriation to Myanmar.
14. The Meeting underscored the collective efforts that had led to the historic and unanimous Order of the ICJ, in January 2020, on Provisional Measures, urging Myanmar to cease all actions that could amount to genocide and to preserve any evidence related to any acts of genocide.
15. The Meeting hailed the efforts undertaken by Their Excellencies the President of the Gambia, the Prime Minister of Bangladesh and the OIC Secretary General by addressing a Joint Letter to the Heads of State of all OIC Member States, appealing for their generous support to the Case.
16. The Meeting expressed appreciation to the OIC Member States and OIC Institutions that have contributed to the special account established to cover the legal fees pertaining to the Case.
17. The Meeting expressed appreciation for the Republic of Turkey and the People's Republic of Bangladesh for pledging each an additional contribution of the amount of US\$ 200,000 to cover the legal expenses of the case.
18. The Meeting called upon all other OIC Member States to provide necessary support, including financial contribution for the legal Case, on a voluntary basis, in line with the principles of burden-sharing and shared responsibility, and in the spirit of Islamic solidarity.
19. The Meeting reiterated that The Gambia, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee, has the mandate from the Islamic Summit Conference and the Council of Foreign Ministers to take and pursue the Case against Myanmar at the ICJ.
20. The Meeting urged Myanmar to address the underlying causes of the conflict and restore the legitimate rights of the Rohingya Muslims, especially the right to citizenship.

21. The Meeting expressed deep concern over the continued spread of false news, hate speech and inflammatory rhetoric, in particular through social media, targeting Rohingya Muslims and called upon Myanmar to take the measures necessary to address the spread of discrimination and prejudice and to combat the incitement of hatred against Rohingya Muslims.
22. The Meeting called upon the Government of Myanmar to take concrete actions to ensure the voluntary, safe, dignified and sustainable return and resettlement of the Rohingya to their legitimate homeland in the Rakhine State of Myanmar.
23. The Meeting urged Myanmar to fully comply with the Order of the Court on Provisional Measures and take all measures to prevent the commission of all acts of genocide against the Rohingya.
24. The Meeting called on OIC Member States and the international community to assist in the voluntary repatriation of the Rohingya Muslims to their homeland in Myanmar.
25. The Meeting also reiterated the persistent calls of the OIC to its Member States and the international community to use all effective political and economic measures to bring about Myanmar's compliance with its international obligations.
26. The Meeting requested the Chair to reach out to non-OIC Member States and philanthropic organizations to contribute to the special account dedicated to the case;
27. The Meeting urged the Members of the OIC Ad hoc Ministerial Committee on Accountability for Human Rights Violations Against the Rohingya to pursue 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;
28. The Meeting called for galvanizing and sustaining the support of the international community to ensure a safe, dignified, voluntary and sustainable return of all Rohingya Muslim refugees and Internally Displaced Persons to their homeland in Myanmar, to restore the nationality and citizenship rights of Rohingya and to protect the rights of Muslim minorities in Myanmar.

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