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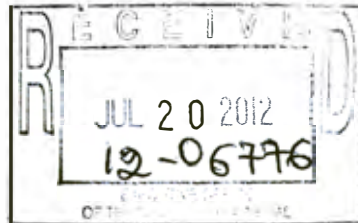
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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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Excellency,

I would like to draw your kind attention to the reports on the recent crackdown by Myanmar security forces against Muslim minority in Rohingya province that has resulted in human losses and suffering of hundreds of innocent civilians, destruction of mosques and homes and eviction of people from their homeland, which constitutes violations of their fundamental rights. More disturbing is the remarks by some Myanmar authorities in the sense of stripping Muslim minority from their citizenship rights, in spite the fact that Muslim people in Rohingya have been living there for centuries.

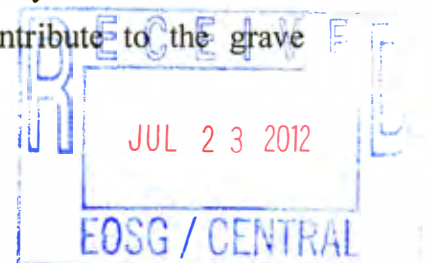
We believe that ethnic and religious cleansing against Muslims under whatever pretext is unjustifiable and inexcusable under recognized international law, and the United Nations must take urgent measures to preserve the spirit of the Charter and protect the fundamental rights of the Muslim people in Myanmar by calling upon the Government in Myanmar to put an end to the crackdown against Muslims.

It is expected that Your Excellency, in your capacity as Secretary- General of the United Nations, to interfere expeditiously and outspokenly, as you did with other similar situations and to take every appropriate measure in order to halt the current situation and to prevent further similar tragedy to happen against Muslim people of Myanmar.

No doubt, a stance of silence and indifference by the international community toward the situation in Myanmar would contribute to the grave

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violations of fundamental rights of Muslim inhabitants as well as the international law and make an appalling precedent in international relations. It is highly expected that the Myanmar Government would respond to the concerns of its Muslim people and the international community in a positive and constructive manner so that all its Rohingya Muslim citizens are able to return to their homeland in honour, safety and dignity.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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