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Special Rapporteur on Myanmar**

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**Statement delivered by Ambassador Vincenzo Grassi,  
Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations in Geneva**

*Mr. President,*

Italy aligns with the EU statement and thanks the Special Rapporteur for his report. We strongly condemn the continued escalation of violence and grave human rights violations committed by the junta since the 2021 coup. We are appalled by the widespread use of force against civilians, including airstrikes, torture, sexual and gender-based violence, forced labour, and abuses against minorities, including the Rohingya.

The severe humanitarian crisis in Myanmar—worsened by the March earthquake—requires urgent action. Italy is alarmed by the conflict's impact and the junta's obstruction of aid, particularly in Rakhine State. We call for full, safe, and unhindered humanitarian access to all in need and stress the importance of conditions for the voluntary, safe, and dignified return of Rohingya refugees.

Italy remains concerned by prevailing impunity and urges accountability for all responsible for international crimes and human rights abuses. We firmly support Myanmar's civil society and the vital work of the Independent Investigative Mechanism.

We call on the Myanmar military to end violence, release political prisoners, and engage in inclusive dialogue toward democratic transition, including credible and inclusive elections. We commend the UN Special Envoy and ASEAN's regional initiatives.

*Thank you.*