

$60^{\rm h}$ Session of the Human Rights Council Interactive Dialogue with reports of HC and Indep. Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar

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Delivered by Minister Stefano Pisotti, Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations in Geneva

Mr. President,

Italy aligns itself with the statement delivered by the EU and thanks OHCHR and the Head of the IIMM for this update.

We remain deeply concerned by the pattern of atrocity crimes since the 2021 coup: indiscriminate attacks against civilians, systematic torture, sexual and gender-based violence, and the ongoing persecution of the Rohingya and other minorities. The Mechanism's findings remind us that accountability cannot be postponed: justice is essential for any credible path toward peace and reconciliation in Myanmar.

Italy strongly supports the IIMM's mandate and commends its cooperation with accountability processes. We urge all States to fully cooperate with the Mechanism and preserve its evidence in the fight against impunity.

We also call for an immediate end to violence, the release of political prisoners, and the resumption of a truly inclusive democratic transition. A voluntary, dignified, and safe return of refugees can only occur within a democratic Myanmar. Humanitarian access must be ensured throughout the country, especially for communities most affected by conflict and disasters.

Italy will continue to stand with the people of Myanmar, support civil society, and work with partners for justice, accountability, and human rights.

Thank you.