

## INVITATION

Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations
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Cordially invite you to a side-event on

## Atrocities against Rohingya: From Condemnation to Action

Tuesday, 24 October 2017, 16:00-18:00 PM Conference Room 7, UN Headquarters

Since 25 August 2017, nearly 600,000 people, mostly Rohingya, have fled from Myanmar's Rakhine State to Bangladesh to escape atrocities. For more than eight weeks, there have been widespread reports of the Myanmar security forces using excessive force against Rohingya civilians, including unlawful killing, sexual violence and large scale arson. The UN High Commissioner of Human Rights has described this as "a textbook example of ethnic cleansing." On 11 October 2017, OHCHR released a report which found that these attacks were "well-organised, coordinated and systematic" and were aimed to drive the Rohingya population out of Myanmar and to prevent their return.

While the international community, including the UN Security Council, has expressed concern over the humanitarian crisis and condemned attacks on the Rohingya, there is a need for further concerted efforts to find a peaceful, just and lasting political solution to the issue. This side-event will explore various tracks that the international community should urgently pursue, including through the Security Council, General Assembly as well as regional and bilateral action.

There will be a panel discussion followed by an interactive dialogue with Member States and civil society representatives.

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