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**Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic**

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Thank you, Mister President,

We wish to thank the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic for its report and the important work on accountability.

We are concerned by the deteriorating humanitarian situation as well as the findings of the report, in particular the intensification of the conflict and its devastating consequences for civilians. The numerous killings of civilians, including children, as a result of indiscriminate attacks are very worrisome.

We call on all parties to the conflict, in particular the Syrian authorities, to implement the recommendations made by the Commission of Inquiry in the report, including the call for an immediate cessation of hostilities as well as to conduct independent, impartial and credible investigations into all alleged serious violations of international human rights and humanitarian law.

In this respect, we stress the importance of *the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism* and reiterate our call on the Security Council to refer the situation in Syria to the International Criminal Court.

Finally, we would like to express our full support for the work and mandate of the Commission of Inquiry.

I thank you.