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**Recommendations by Canada for Myanmar’s UPR**

Thank you, Madam President.

Canada recognizes some actions since Myanmar’s last UPR, including passage of the Child Rights Law.

Canada recommends that Myanmar:

1. Ratify and fully implement all remaining international human rights treaties.
2. Hold security forces accountable for gross human rights violations and fully cooperate with international courts and accountability mechanisms, and ensuring full compliance with the ICJ’s provisional measures order.
3. Amend or repeal the 1982 Citizenship Law to eliminate legal discrimination on the basis of ethnic, racial or religious identity; and fully implement the recommendations of the Rakhine Advisory Commission.
4. Ensure that all parties to conflict cease hostilities, protect civilians, including the Rohingya and other ethnic and religious minorities, and comply with international humanitarian law
5. Repeal or amend, and cease the arbitrary application of, laws restricting freedom of expression and assembly.

Canada remains extremely concerned by institutionalized discrimination against ethnic and religious minorities, and the shrinking democratic space caused by criminalizing dissent.