



17 August 2021

Dear Madam President,

In accordance with the relevant rules of procedures, including paragraph 10 of the General Assembly resolution 60/251; paragraphs 119 to 128 of the annex to the Council resolution 5/1; and rules 5 and 6 of the rules of procedure of the Human Rights Council, the OIC Group in Geneva requests the convening of a Special Session of the Human Rights Council on 24 August 2021 on the serious human rights concerns and situation in Afghanistan.

This request has the support of OIC countries that are members of the Human Rights Council (Annex-A) as well as non-OIC countries which are members of the Human Rights Council (Annex-B).

The Human Rights Council Secretariat may please be advised to make the necessary arrangements.

Sincerely,

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Ambassador and Permanent Representative,
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Pakistan to UNOG

Dr. Nasir Ahmad Andisha
Ambassador and Permanent Representative
Permanent Mission of I.R. of Afghanistan to UNOG

H.E. Ambassador Nazhat Shameem Khan,
President of the Human Rights Council,
Geneva

List of OIC Countries

Annex-A

1. Afghanistan
2. Albania
3. Algeria
4. Azerbaijan
5. *Bahrain
6. *Bangladesh
7. Benin
8. United Arab Emirates (UAE)
9. Brunei Darussalam
10. *Burkina Faso
11. *Cameroon
12. Chad
13. Comoros
14. *Cote d'Ivoire
15. Djibouti
16. Egypt
17. *Indonesia
18. *Gabon
19. Gambia
20. Guinea
21. Guinea-Bissau
22. Guyana
23. Iran
24. Iraq
25. Jordan
26. Kazakhstan
27. Kyrgyzstan
28. Kuwait
29. *Libya
30. Lebanon
31. Maldives
32. Malaysia
33. Mali
34. *Mauritania
35. Morocco
36. Mozambique
37. Niger
38. Nigeria
39. Oman
40. Palestine
41. *Pakistan

42. Qatar
43. Saudi Arabia
44. *Senegal
45. Sierra Leone
46. *Somalia
47. *Sudan
48. Suriname
49. Syria
50. Tajikistan
51. *Togo
52. Tunisia
53. Turkey
54. Turkmenistan
55. Uganda
56. *Uzbekistan
57. Yemen

* Current Members of the Human Rights Council

List of non-OIC countries

Annex-B

1. Argentina
2. Mexico
3. Slovenia on behalf of the European Union Member States
4. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland