



Mr. Chairman

The United Nations, while promoting human rights and basic freedoms for all human beings, and converting declarations into binding conventions and documents, also guarantees the rights of minorities.

But over time and with the evolution of opinions, it became clear that the rights of minorities cannot be solved only under the cover of general human rights. Supporting the rights of minorities without considering the group aspect of the issue of minorities will certainly be incomplete and meaningless.

Despite the complexity of the issue and sometimes the opposition of some member states, the United Nations included an article in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights of 1966, Article 27. which, in parallel, led to the formulation and approval of the declaration on the rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious or linguistic minorities.

Unfortunately, some of the governments used the right of reservation when approving this international document, in fact, they put their domestic laws first and interpret the concepts of human rights declared in international documents as they understand them, and in this interpretation, public order and their national security are considered. For example, the American and French governments have imposed restrictions on the most important international human rights covenant, i.e. the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

The performance of these countries has caused other governments to show their adherence to international law in various ways, often by granting minimum rights to minorities.

They continued the discrimination in more hidden ways and by establishing laws that actually limited the minorities and applied indirect discrimination.

For example, restricting the activities of the Muslim minority by combining humanitarian laws and building construction laws and to prevent the activities of cultural-Islamic centers based in Europe.

As a result, we are far from reaching the ideal and the opportunity and realization of dialogue in practice and implementation. Therefore, a solution should be explained in order to prevent violations of regulations in dealing with religious minorities - to take effective measures, so as to reduce the conflict and confrontation with international human rights assemblies.

Thank you.

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