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Thank you Chair. My name is [inaudible]. We need to highlight the urgent need to amplify [inaudible] Tamil voices in peacebuilding, accountability, and transitional justice processes. In many contexts, [inaudible] Tamils totally affected by Sri Lankan genocide and war are those whose voices remain the most systematically marginalized and continue to face profound obstacles in seeking truth, justice, and recognition. [Inaudible] Tamils' voices are long silenced, voices that we have witnessed to ending oppression under the Sri Lanka state. Decades of structural discrimination, state sponsored violence and systematic ensuring of our identity have left deep wounds. The genocide that claimed more than 175,000 Tamil lives is not just a chapter in history, it is an ongoing reality perpetuated through denial, militarization, and impunity. [Inaudible] Tamils face additional barriers by [inaudible]. Tamil rights activists, those seeking to participate in international human rights mechanisms often encounter discriminatory obstacles that limit their ability to be heard. In some cases, Tamil advocates and victims attempting to travel to international forums have faced visa denials or administrative restrictions preventing them from contributing to global discussion on accountability and transitional justice. Such barriers effectively silence those who most need access to protection and international oversight. If we are truly committed to [CUT OFF BY CHAIR].