

Samaritan Community

Ladies and Gentlemen, Madame Chair, today is a historic day, not only for me, but for my entire Samaritan community. For the first time in history, the Samaritans, the oldest religious community in the world, stands here in this respected UN Forum with a voice that has survived thousands of years. We are fewer than 1,000 people, but we carry one of the greatest histories written in this land. We are small in number, but have a huge heritage, faith, and spirit. For more than 3,600 years, we have protected our tradition, our ancient language, and our identity, and yet we never disappeared. We never surrendered. We continued with courage, unity, and love for our heritage. For thousands of years, our voice was quiet. Today, this same voice reaches Geneva and speaks to the world. The moment is not just symbolic, it is the proof that no community is too small to make a difference. The Samaritans have lived for centuries between nations, cultures, and religions, and because of this unique position, we learned something important: a small community can become a bridge, a bridge of trust, a bridge of dialogue, a bridge of peace. We do not seek power, we seek understanding, we seek respect, we seek to build connection, not wars. Today, I stand here to say the Samaritan community is ready to be a bridge for global peace, as a small community with a huge responsibility. A tiny number with an enormous message. Today I say with pride, we are Samaritans, we are few, but our story is great. We are small, but our mission is big, and we are here ready to build trust, connection, and peaceful coexistence. Thank you.