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## The European Rohingya Council on ICJ's Hearing of Rohingya Genocide Case

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The International Court of Justice (ICJ) has heard the preliminary objections of Myanmar Junta's representatives on the Rohingya Genocide case in three-days long hearings. Legal team replaced by the junta has raised the objections on the technical ground that the case was brought by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and that the court could only hear cases between nations despite the Gambia met "prima facie the Court's jurisdictional standards" for the case under the UN's 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime Genocide.

The European Rohingya Council is very hopeful that the court dismisses the objections of junta's representative and proceeds with the case which has all the elements of genocide.

The ERC also expresses profound gratitude to the Gambian government and people for the steadfast fight for justice of the victims of Myanmar's genocide.

During the course of hearings, the European Rohingya Council and Myanmar-born multi-ethnic communities living in the Netherlands and across the continent have organized peaceful demonstrations in The Hague in support of the Gambia's law suit against Myanmar for its genocide against the Rohingya community.

As the perpetrators of the genocide led by Senior General Min Aung Hlaing staged the coup in February 2021 and plunged Myanmar into a nation-wide protest and arm-struggle, the vast majority of Myanmar's people have come into terms that justice for Rohingya is justice for all.

The ERC embraces their support and solidarity shown towards the Rohingya community, and hails the resilience of people of Myanmar in the fights for freedom, equality and justice.

The ERC calls upon the international community and Myanmar's neighbours to exert maximum pressure on Myanmar military regime to bring an end to killings of civilians across the country, committing ongoing genocidal practices against Rohingya in Internally Displaced Persons in (IDP) camps, towns and villages in Arakan State, and ending the military rule.

The European Rohingya Council also calls upon nations around the world to recognize the decades of atrocities committed against Rohingya as 'genocide' and support the Gambia in its fight for justice and accountability.

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Furthermore, the European Rohingya Council urges the government of Bangladesh to provide security to Rohingya refugees, combat human trafficking and empower young generations of refugees with education until their homeland Myanmar is safe and security with the restored human rights, justice and accountability for a dignified and peaceful repatriation.

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