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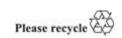
## Written statement\* submitted by the Centre for Human Rights and Peace Advocacy, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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## STATEMENT UNHRC 33 SESSION AGENDA ITEM 5

On behalf of my organization, this is to inform the Council that in India there is no respect given to minorities' religions, which is against Part I, para 19 of Vienna Declaration 1993.

Massacres and massive killings of the Sikhs, Muslims, Christians, Buddhists, Dalits and minorities have not ceased since 15th August, 1947. After denial of more than thirty years, the largest democracy of South Asia admitted its deliberate and systematic killings of the Sikhs and citizens of Punjab, the Sikhs' Holy and historic homeland and elsewhere in India in 1984 and beyond.

While the genocide of Sikhs, Kashmiris, Christians, Muslims and Dalits had been going on, the Sikh and non-Sikh females were also massively raped by high caste hindus and paramilitary soldiers. Children less than 6 years old have been termed as 'terrorists'. It is a matter of great concern because children can never terrorize any society. Why rape females during the genocide of Sikhs and citizens of Punjab? This discerns that Indian armed personnel had committed crimes against the females, the backbone of our society. They enjoy complete impunity, which needs the Council's attention.

My organization requests that the crimes committed by Indian administration and armed personnel be assessed by UNHRC, by sending a team to find the facts of the genocide of Sikhs and citizens of Punjab. We seek your immediate attention please.

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