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人权理事会 第四十三届会议 2020年2月24日至3月20日 议程项目4 需要理事会注意的人权状况

2020年4月8日阿塞拜疆常驻联合国日内瓦办事处代表团致 联合国人权事务高级专员办事处的普通照会

阿塞拜疆共和国常驻联合国日内瓦办事处和日内瓦其他国际组织代表团向联 合国人权事务高级专员办事处致意,并谨随函附上阿塞拜疆共和国纳戈尔诺一卡 拉巴赫地区阿塞拜疆人社区关于 2020 年 3 月 31 日在被亚美尼亚共和国占领的阿 塞拜疆共和国领土上举行的非法"选举"的声明(见附件)。

常驻代表团谨请高级专员办事处将本普通照会及其附件* 作为人权理事会第 四十三届会议议程项目 4 下的文件分发。

* 附件不译, 原文照发。

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Annex to the note verbale dated 8 April 2020 from the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Statement by the Azerbaijani Community of the Nagorno-Karabakh region of the Republic of Azerbaijan

On March 31, 2020 another "election show" under the name "presidential and parliamentary elections" was staged in the occupied Nagorno-Karabakh region of the Republic of Azerbaijan. This step of the aggressor Armenia and its accomplice – the occupying regime – has no legal basis and is a great stain on the name of democracy and elections.

At a time when the world is facing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and despite the threat posed by it to human lives, Armenia and the occupying regime, remaining true to their disposition, continue their illegal activities even under these circumstances and hold a show called "elections." This is yet another sign of "values" that Armenia and the illegal regime are based on, and is the indicator of their "attitude" towards the Armenian community of the occupied Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan, whom they hold captive. It confirms how unimportant the lives and destinies of those people are for the regime. We believe that the Armenians living in Nagorno-Karabakh will finally realize that they are a tool in the hands of Armenia and the illegal regime, which do not value them and turn them into a victim of fake games instead of protecting them from the threat of pandemic.

In the past, some people influenced by Armenian diaspora visited the occupied territories of Azerbaijan in order to observe this kind of fake "elections". This time these people did not demonstrate any interest and did not participate in the latest so-called "elections".

The holding of the illegal "elections" in the occupied Nagorno-Karabakh region is a gross violation of the fundamental human rights of Azerbaijanis who have been subjected to ethnic cleansing and expelled from their lands. The UN, OSCE, other international organizations and the international community have repeatedly condemned the illegal "elections" in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan and declared the inviolability of Azerbaijan's internationally recognized borders. Statements given by states and international organizations starting from yesterday once again demonstrate that no one recognizes these "elections", nor considers them legal.

These illegal "elections" are another blow to the negotiation process and serve to escalate the situation.

We are convinced that the Armenians living in Nagorno-Karabakh will take part in the legitimate elections which will be held in accordance with the Constitution and other laws of our country, alongside with the Azerbaijanis who will return after the restoration of the internationally recognized borders of the Republic of Azerbaijan.