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人权理事会 第四十四届会议 2020年6月30日至7月17日 议程项目4 需要理事会注意的人权状况

亚美尼亚常驻联合国日内瓦办事处代表团 2020 年 6 月 30 日 致联合国人权事务高级专员办事处的普通照会

亚美尼亚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,并谨随函转递亚美尼亚共和国外交部在英勇 的五月战斗和亚美尼亚第一共和国成立102周年之际发表的声明(见附件)。

亚美尼亚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 理事会第四十四届会议议程项目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 30 June 2020 from the Permanent Mission of Armenia to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Statement by the Foreign Ministry dated 28 May 2020 on the occasion of the 102nd anniversary of Heroic May Battles and the First Republic of Armenia

On May 28, Armenia and Armenians all over the world celebrate the 102nd anniversary of the Heroic May Battles and the First Republic of Armenia.

This special day of our millenia old history symbolizes two important messages: having been subjected to genocide in the greater part of their historical homeland, the Armenians and their fight for survival prevailed in Sardarapat, Bash-Aparan and Karakilisa battles, and by the May Victories the Armenian people have once and for all affirmed their right to exist.

Second, after more than five centuries, the Armenian statehood was restored, and the Republic of Armenia became a member of the international community. The First Republic was established during the days of the Great War and played an important role in the end of the First World War in our region, both on military and diplomatic fronts.

The Republic of Armenia actively participated in and eventually became a party to the international peace treaties which shaped the outcome of the WWI.

The First Republic of Armenia defended the right of the Armenian people to exist and selfdetermination in Artsakh as well, and the issue of the status of Artsakh was formulated as an international issue.

Despite its short period of existence, the First Republic laid foundations for political institutions in charge of domestic and foreign affairs, as well as established the objectives for the continued development of the Armenian statehood.

By uniting the struggle of national liberation and state building, this day up to now symbolizes the realization of two priority objectives of our statehood and all Armenians: sovereignty and security.

Congratulations to all of us on the occasion of the Heroic May Battles and the Republic Day.