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genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes  
against humanity****Letter dated 11 October 2020 from the Permanent Representative of  
Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to enclose herewith the statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Artsakh (Nagorno-Karabakh Republic) regarding the joint statement by the Foreign Ministers of the Russian Federation, the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Azerbaijan on cessation of hostilities for humanitarian purposes (see annex).

I kindly request that the present letter and its annexes be circulated as a document of the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly, under agenda items 34, 71 and 135, and of the Security Council.

*(Signed)* Mher **Margaryan**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the letter dated 11 October 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Artsakh: Statement on the cease-fire agreement for humanitarian purposes**

We note the importance of the agreement reached with the mediation of the Russian Federation on a cease fire from 12 p.m. on October 10, 2020 for humanitarian purposes for the exchange of prisoners of war and bodies of the dead through mediation and in accordance with the criteria of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The agreements reached in Moscow are a practical step towards ending the armed aggression unleashed by Azerbaijan and Turkey in alliance with international terrorists against the Republic of Artsakh. The humanitarian truce must be strictly observed by Azerbaijan and lay a solid foundation for the full restoration of the agreements on the ceasefire and military operations of 12 May 1994 and on the strengthening of the ceasefire of 6 February 1995. We deem it important that the joint statement following the talks in Moscow notes the exceptional role of the OSCE Minsk Group co-chairmanship in mediating a settlement of the Azerbaijan-Karabakh conflict.

We note once again that the two aggressions unleashed by Azerbaijan over the past 4 years clearly demonstrate the urgent need to introduce a mechanism that excludes the possibility of renewed hostilities.

We reiterate the position of the official Stepanakert that only international recognition of the independence of the Republic of Artsakh will guarantee peace and security in the region and demonstrate that the use of force as a means of resolving the conflict is unacceptable to the international community.

Stepanakert, 11 October 2020

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