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DELEGATION OF SAUDI ARABIA: DRAFT PROTOCOL
FOR THE PREVENTION AND PUNISHMENT OF GENOCIDE

WHEREAS the atrocities committed against humanity which violated the rules of International Law and shocked public conscience make it imperative for the nations of the world to take concerted action to prevent and penalize the commission of such acts in the future;

WHEREAS one of the most obvious violations of the rules of International Law and the laws of humanity is genocide which is as destructive of human race as war of aggression which is now universally condemned and outlawed by the United Nation's Charter, therefore;

The Nations signatory of this Protocol declare that genocide is an International Crime against humanity and agree to co-operate to prevent and suppress it as herein provided:

Article I - Definition

Genocide is the destruction of an ethnic group, people or nation either gradually against individuals or collectively against the whole group, people or nation.

Any of the following acts may constitute the crime of genocide:

- (a) Mass killing of all members of a group, people or nation.
- (b) Destruction of the essential potentialities of life or a group, people or nation or the intentional deprivation of elementary necessities for the preservation of health or existence.
- (c) Planned disintegration of the political, social or economic structure of a group, people or nation.

- (d) Systematic moral debasement of a group, people or nation,
- (e) Acts of terrorism committed for the purpose of creating a state of common danger and alarm in a group, people or nation with the intent of producing their political, social, economic or moral disintegration.

Article II - International Action

The parties to this Protocol agree to make effective use of every means at their disposal, acting separately or in co-operation to prevent and penalize genocide.

Article III - Jurisdiction

Every state has jurisdiction to prohibit and punish genocide.

An allegation that any act of genocide is political or has been committed under order of a superior authority shall not be available as a defence.

In exercising such jurisdiction every state shall enact legislation defining the crime of genocide conferring competence on its appropriate courts and prescribing the penalties to be inflicted upon conviction.

Article IV

The acts of genocide shall be prosecuted and punished by any state regardless of the place of the commission of the offence or of the nationality of the offender, in conformity with the laws of the country prosecuting.

No offender shall be prosecuted or punished by any state for an act of genocide for which he has been prosecuted and convicted or acquitted in another state.
