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Right of Reply by the Delegation of Armenia

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Mr. Moderator,

I would like to thank the distinguished Azerbaijani delegate for provided clarification. On one hand he maintains that Azerbaijan did not impede international organizations to visit Nagorno-Karabakh and on the other hand he invokes Azerbaijani legislation according to which only agreed formats and International Committee of Red Cross can visit Nagorno-Karabakh without restrictions.

In other words Azerbaijan does not let UNHCR and UN HRC Special Rapportuer on IDPs to visit NK. By depriving displaced population of Nagorno-Karabakh of international protection Azerbaijan tries to impose collective punishment on the people of Nagorno-Karabakh.

Speaking on durable solution for one group of displaced population and denying basic humanitarian needs of protection to another group goes against very principles of reciprocity, human equality and fairness, concepts we need so much for constructive conflict resolution.

I thank you.