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Right of Reply by Delegation of Armenia
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Mr. Moderator,

I would like to mention that there was a certain misconduct by an Azeri progovernmental organization. I call upon the organizers of HDIM to assess this incident particularly the demonstration of fake photos in order to prevent its repetition. These organizations are certainly a highlight of this HDIM who promote political agenda of Azerbaijan by invoking conflict related issues to cover up the violations of human rights including torture in Azerbaijan.

With regard to the case of Guliyev and Askerov that was raised here I would like to emphasize that this criminal group committed a number of crimes of terroristic nature against citizens of NK, including murder of a teenager. The Office of the ICRC in Stepanakert has regular access to them. During the trial, it was established that the criminal group was sent to Artsakh by Azerbaijan for espionage and subversive purposes. The President of Azerbaijan stated that these persons will receive the same support as Ramil Safarov who axed an Armenian officer in his sleep. We understand that killing of Armenians is not a crime but a matter of glorification in Azerbaijan. But in the civilized world including in Nagorno-Karabakh killing is a crime that's why they will continue to serve the justice.

Thank you.