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Right of Reply by the Delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan

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Speculations of the Armenian side about human rights are nothing but another futile attempt to distract the attention of the international community from its continued military occupation of the territories of Azerbaijan and to cover up its annexationist aspirations. No right can be exercised at the expense of the violation of the rights of others, in particular the significantly larger Azerbaijani population that was expelled from the Nagorno-Karabakh region and other occupied territories of Azerbaijan as a result of Armenia's aggression. To remind, none of the commitments on human rights protection constitute preferential treatment for any State, group or person, or may be interpreted as implying any right to engage in any activity or perform any action in contravention of the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and other obligations under international law, including those relating to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States.

Concerning the reference made by the Armenian delegation with regard to Nagorno-Karabakh region, Nagorno-Karabakh is an inalienable part of Azerbaijan. This is confirmed at the international level and also reflected in the relevant CSCE/OSCE decisions and documents and the U.N. Security Council resolutions.