Azərbaycan Respublikasının Cenevrədəki BMT Bölməsi və digər beynəlxalq təşkilatlar yanında Daimi Nümayəndəliyi



Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other International Organizations in Geneva

237 Route des Fayards, CH-1290 Versoix, Switzerland Tel: +41 (22) 9011815 Fax: +41 (22) 9011844 E-mail: geneva@mission.mfa.gov.az Web: www.geneva.mfa.gov.az

Check against delivery

Second right of reply by the delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan

delivered by Mr. Seymur Mardaliyev,

Counselor of the

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UNOG in Geneva

69th session of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees

Geneva, 4 October 2018

Madame Chair, the last statement by Armenia obliged me to take the floor again.

Good portion of the statement delivered by Armenia at the general debate was devoted to Azerbaijan. So, who politicizes this body of humanitarian nature as the representative of Armenia is claiming: Armenia or Azerbaijan?

Contrary to our expectations from new political establishment in Armenia, Armenian statements at this session demonstrate that they still prefer to continue making mistakes of its predecessors and their real intention are not the settlement of the conflict through negotiations but continuation of the illegal occupation of Azerbaijani territories and prevention Azerbaijani IDPs to return to their places of origin.

The last statement particularly illustrates genuine attitude of Armenia towards the very timely and valid appeal by the High Commissioner Grandi on the importance of searching for the lasting political solution to the protracted displacement as a result of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.

We reiterate in this august body that Armenia and its leadership bear all responsibility for escalation of situation with such statements.

I thank you.