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**Interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges
and lawyers**

**Second right of reply
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I am taking the floor to exercise my delegation's second right of reply to the statement made by Armenia.

Time and again at the current session of the Council, Armenia resorts to uselessly engage in repeating absolutely same fabricated propaganda against Azerbaijan under each item of the Council's agenda irrespective of topics under the consideration. The simple goal behind this malicious behaviour by Armenia is an attempt to mislead the Council from its crimes committed against Azerbaijan during three decades long occupation of Azerbaijani internationally recognized territories. It seems Armenia to still remain under heavy influence of its crushing defeat in the military hostilities of last year.

We reiterate our call to Armenia to come down to earth and try to grasp the current situation emerged in the region in the aftermath of signing of the trilateral statement on 10 November 2020 in line with following points:

- firstly, Azerbaijan has effectively restored its territorial integrity and sovereignty over its internationally recognized territories by enforcing Armenia to peace. Nagorno-Karabakh conflict does not exist any longer and went to the history;
- secondly, the current situation that it is so hard for Armenia to swallow has become the consequence of its disregard for international law, deliberate non-fulfilment of the relevant UN Security Council resolutions, inflammatory statements and consistent provocations on the ground;

- thirdly, if Armenia is genuinely interested to be a part of a regional peace building and to benefit from opportunities emerged in the region including perspectives for normalization of inter-state relations between the two nations on the basis of respect of each other's sovereignty, territorial integrity and inviolability of international borders, it should spare no time and efforts to fulfil its obligations under the trilateral statements of 10 November 2020 and 11 January 2021 in a good faith;
- fourthly, Armenia must refrain from any destabilizing actions and statements aimed at undermining the emerging perspectives for regional peace and security such as the deployment of a sabotage groups into the territories of Azerbaijan, frequent border provocations and refusal to release the maps of mined areas in accordance with its obligations under the international humanitarian law that continue to cause serious threats to lives and safety of Azerbaijani population and affect the realization of the inalienable right of displaced Azerbaijani population to return to their homes in safety and dignity and enjoy the decent work.

I thank you.