



Committee: United Nations Human Rights Council

Country: People's Republic of China

Agenda 1: Strengthening Accountability Mechanism to Address Systematic Discrimination in Afghanistan

People's Republic of China (PRC) recognizes the existence of systemic discrimination in Afghanistan at many levels of gender, ethnic, religious, and political conflict. PRC acknowledges the value of observing international human rights standards, but emphasizes respect for Afghan sovereignty and avoiding interference. PRC advocates for promoting accountability with dialogue and cooperation involving inclusion, rather than confrontation.

China has been an active promoter of humanitarian and development initiatives in Afghanistan as a way to devolve discrimination and enable stability by contributing to the devolving humanitarian crisis. **From January 2024 to December 2024**, bilateral trade between China and Afghanistan was **\$1.9 billion**, a year-on year increase of **19%**. Over the years, it has promoted Aid Delivery, Tariff Sanction, Development of Networks and Infrastructural Projects, Education for Marginalized Communities through major organized efforts, while prioritizing marginalized groups, especially women and minorities in their lands, who want harmony.

The UNHRC and OHCHR is consistently monitoring Afghanistan's human rights situation while supporting the assurance of accountability. The PRC supports the renewal of the mandate of **UNAMA (United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan)**. An independent assessment of **UNAMA** was submitted to **the Security Council (S/2023/856)**, as a part of a more coordinated, structured and organized process with Afghanistan's de facto authorities for the betterment of Afghan people.

China calls for inclusive dialogue at **national, regional (SCO)** and **global (UN)** levels to build trust and support governance. Capacity-building is key, which means judicial training, regional exchanges, and **UNDP** support for tribunals will have to be done. Economic support should be directed towards investments in education, healthcare, and jobs. Updated reports with the oversight of experts should be generated through national benchmarks, regional reviews, and **UNHRC-led** global accountability framework.

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