

Statement of Ireland

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Interactive dialogue with the Independent Fact-Finding Mission on Libya

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Mr. President, [Mr/Madame Vice-President,]

Ireland aligns with the statement of the EU.

Ireland thanks the Fact Finding Mission for this update, and for their important work under challenging conditions. We appreciate Libya's cooperation with the Mission; this cooperation will enable the Mission to contribute to crucial capacity-building and technical assistance. Ireland strongly supports the renewal of the Mission's important mandate.

Ireland remains committed to accountability and will continue to condemn actions that breach international human rights and humanitarian law. Accountability is a key step in Libya's peace process and must be ensured.

We are concerned with ongoing and longstanding challenges and restrictions affecting the work of civil society, including lack of access.

The situation of those held in detention without due process, including migrants and refugees, is also deeply concerning.

The conflict has had a disproportionate impact on women and girls, and we underline the importance of all parties to the conflict meeting their obligations under international human rights law.

Ireland reiterates its support for ongoing efforts supported by the UN to end the current political impasse. We call on all parties to make every possible effort to agree a political framework for a Libyan-led and -owned process, facilitated by the UN, paving the way for free, fair, and inclusive national elections.

Chair, what concrete support can the international community provide in order to further the prosecution of human rights violations in Libya?

Thank you.