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## Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile

## Statement of the Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile-AIBAIE

**Subject :** Following the adoption of the United Nations Human Rights Council resolution establishing an independent investigative mechanism for Afghanistan

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The Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile welcomes the important and historic decision of the United Nations Human Rights Council to adopt a resolution establishing an independent and permanent investigative mechanism to address the widespread and systematic violations of human rights in Afghanistan. This initiative marks a fundamental step toward achieving justice, ensuring accountability, and supporting victims.

The Association believes that the establishment of such an independent international mechanism provides a unique opportunity to document serious human rights violations, collect credible evidence, and create the foundation for effective prosecution of those responsible for international crimes in Afghanistan. We firmly believe that lasting justice can only be achieved when perpetrators of grave crimes are held accountable under the law and the rights of victims are duly recognized.

The Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile expresses its gratitude to the countries that proposed and supported this resolution, and calls on the Human Rights Council, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), and all relevant international bodies to ensure that the process of establishing and implementing this mechanism proceeds with transparency, impartiality, and in full coordination with Afghan civil society and human rights defenders.

We emphasize that the realization of transitional justice, documentation of crimes, and guarantees of non-repetition of human rights violations are possible only through joint cooperation among international institutions, Afghan civil organizations, and defenders of justice. In this regard, the Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile stands ready to provide full cooperation with the relevant institutions and international experts.

The Afghanistan Independent Bar Association in Exile reiterates its firm commitment to the universal principles of human rights, the rule of law, and advocacy for the victims of international crimes. The adoption of this resolution represents a renewed sign of hope for the people of Afghanistan on their path toward justice and accountability.

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The Afghanistan Independent Bar Association (AIBA) in exile seeks to preserve the identity of the AIBA and its members, while safeguarding the achievements made over the past 20 years. It is committed to providing legal services to lawyers and defending the rights of citizens, with a particular focus on protecting the rights of women.

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