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The Scope and Application of the
Principle of Non-Refoulement

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Mr. Chair,

This topic has been discussed since 2011 within the framework of the working group on the scope and application of the principle of non-refoulement. In the course of this process, the information provided by Member States to the Secretary-General on their national legal rules and judicial practice, clearly has revealed that there can be no impunity for crimes of such gravity that they represent a threat to the international community as a whole.

Norway considers it a principle of international law that atrocity crimes and other crimes covered by international jurisdiction do not go unpunished.

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