



**Statement on behalf of the European Union and its Member States
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Thank you, Mr./Madam Chair,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union and its Member States.

The Candidate Countries North Macedonia , Montenegro , Serbia , Albania , the Republic of Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Georgia, and the EFTA country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Monaco and San Marino align themselves with this statement.

Mr./Madam Chair,

Throughout history, millions of children, women and men have been victims of crimes that deeply threaten the peace, security and well-being of the world. Alongside the crime of genocide and war crimes, crimes against humanity constitute the gravest crimes known to humankind.

However, while there are conventions in relation to both the crime of genocide and war crimes, there is no such convention on crimes against humanity. There is therefore a gap in the international treaty framework that must be filled.

