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The Rohingya Human Rights Initiative (ROHRIngya) welcomes the International Court of Justice's (ICJ) landmark judgment in *The Gambia v. Myanmar* which declares Myanmar has committed a genocide against Rohingyas. We also welcome the ruling outlining Myanmar's obligation of reparation to the genocide victims as well as the demand for non-repetition in the future.

The ICJ's ruling not only grants our experience international acknowledgement but also serves as a historical testament to the stripping of our citizenship, the multiple clearance operations against us since 2017, our mass killings, rapes, and destruction of villages and our very existance. The ICJ's acknowledgement of the role of both Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, the President of Myanmar since 2024, the Tatmadaw, and the Arakan Army also serves as a pivotal reminder of how state-backed our cleansing has been.

We urge the Myanmar authorities to comply with the ICJ's ruling immediately.

In addition, we call upon the international community to:

- Uphold the Genocide Convention of 1948 and use their power to prevent and punish the Rohingya genocide;
- Impose arms embargoes and sanction sources of revenue, arms, and equipment to the Myanmar military;
- Sanction the Arakan Army and its leadership, whose conduct reinforces and compounds the violations committed by the Myanmar military junta;
- Enable cross-border humanitarian aid through trusted actors to halt famine in Rakhine State, and urgently deploy an independent human rights monitoring mechanism on the ground; and,
- Develop a plan for safe return and repatriation of Rohingya refugees and immediately stop all plans for deportation and arbitrary detention.

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In response to the ruling, Senior Advocate of the Supreme Court of India, Dr. Colin Gonsalves also said: "The Indian government participated in this shameful act of genocide by arresting a large number of Rohingyas and then taking them by a ship to the Myanmar border, dropping them in shallow waters in a war zone."

With our sincerest heartfelt gratitude, we would like to thank The Gambia, because of whose courage and convictions Rohingyas survivors have received judicial recognition and because of whom our history has been documented for future generations.

To our supporters, patrons, and dear friends, this is not the end but the beginning of our demand for justice and accountability.

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Signed

The Rohingya Human Rights Initiative (ROHRIngya-R4R) *is a non-governmental, non-profit organization formed by young Rohingya activists in New Delhi, India. The R4R was formed because of continuous inhumane treatment and legal and social discrimination against the Rohingya people. Myanmar's military junta used the 1982 Citizenship Law to strip the Rohingyas and some other ethnic minorities of citizenship in Myanmar. The main mission of R4R is to highlight, prevent, and address human rights violations against the Rohingya community. R4R carries out its activities in India and monitors the conditions of Rohingyas in India, Myanmar, and Bangladesh. R4R's works include research and advocacy, prompt action addressing human rights violations, emergency relief efforts, educational initiatives, empowerment of youth and women, and peacebuilding activities leveraging sports and culture.*

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