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**Situaciones de derechos humanos que requieren
la atención del Consejo**

Nota verbal de fecha 9 de junio de 2021 dirigida a la Oficina del Alto Comisionado de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos por la Misión Permanente de Azerbaiyán ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas en Ginebra

La Misión Permanente de la República de Azerbaiyán ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas y otras organizaciones internacionales en Ginebra adjunta, por la presente, una comunicación del Comisionado de Derechos Humanos (Ombudsman) de Azerbaiyán sobre la confesión realizada por Armenia de haber colocado minas en los territorios liberados de Azerbaiyán (véase el anexo).

La Misión Permanente ruega a la Oficina del Alto Comisionado de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos que tenga a bien distribuir la presente nota verbal y su anexo* como documento del Consejo de Derechos Humanos en relación con el tema 4 de la agenda.

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Annex to the note verbale dated 9 June 2021 from the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The confession of planting mines in the liberated territories of Azerbaijan once again proves war crimes committed by Armenia dated 7 June 2021

After the recent mine explosion in the newly liberated Kalbajar district of Azerbaijan as a result of which three civilians including two journalists were killed and several civilians were severely injured, a member of the armed forces of Armenia, Colonel Koryun Ghumashyan confessed that he and his contingent placed 17 trucks of mines near Lachin and Kalbajar districts. His testimony once again proves the act of war crime committed by the political and military leadership of Armenia.

His confession circulating on social media created extreme anxiety in Azerbaijani society. This is a clear violation of international humanitarian law, with a direct confession of the crime committed and the perpetrators should be brought to justice immediately.

As the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan, I have many times raised this issue before international organizations, urging them to assist in getting the maps of mines planted in the liberated territories of Azerbaijan by Armenia and thus save the lives of innocent people.

Unfortunately, we have not received any response or assistance from any relevant international organization so far. The silence of these organizations cast doubt on the efficacy of international law and creates conditions for the continued violation of human rights.

These landmines pose a great threat to each person who wants to visit those places. Over the past seven months, more than 140 people were affected by landmines, 27 of them were killed as a result of those explosions in Azerbaijan. The political and military leadership of Armenia bears full responsibility for this crime.

Human rights should not be merely the subject of speeches from the high rostrums. The international organizations claiming to be the guarantee of human rights all over the world should take concrete actions to call Armenia to provide the map of landmines to stop further casualties.

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