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## **Note verbale dated 21 February 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Armenia to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva transmits herewith a statement by the Foreign Ministry of Armenia on the thirty-second anniversary of the anti-Armenian massacre in Baku (see annex).

The Permanent Mission of Armenia kindly requests the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to circulate the present note verbale and the annex thereto\* as a document of the Human Rights Council under agenda item 4.

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**Annex to the note verbale dated 21 February 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Armenia to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

**Statement of the Foreign Ministry of Armenia dated 14 January 2022 on the 32nd anniversary of the anti-Armenian massacres in Baku**

32 years ago during these days mass programs against Armenians began in Baku, which became the culmination of the policy of annihilation and forcible displacement of the Armenian population living in Azerbaijani SSR. Hundreds of people were murdered, mutilated and disappeared among the Armenian population as a result of week-long bloody mass atrocities. These massacres, as a result of which half a million Armenians became refugees, completed the process of annihilation of Armenians from Azerbaijan.

The consistent denial of the Baku massacres and other crimes against Armenians, the glorification of their masterminds, the continuous insinuation of hatred against Armenians are still state policy in Azerbaijan. It is manifested in hate speech and aggressive policy towards Armenia and Artsakh, which is a threat to peace and stability in our region.

Today we pay tribute to the memory of the innocent victims of the anti-Armenian massacres in Baku, and reaffirm the united commitment of Armenia, Artsakh and the Armenians all over the world to ensure the right of all Armenians to free, safe and dignified life in their homeland.

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