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Statement of Ireland

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Interactive dialogue with the Independent Fact-Finding Mission on Libya

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Ireland aligns with the statement of the EU and thanks the Independent Fact-Finding Mission on Libya for their important work.

Ireland condemns the widespread arbitrary detention of Libyans and migrants and we call for an end to the practice of arbitrary detention. The horrific abuses endured by detainees, including murder, sexual violence, torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment are abhorrent.

Ireland is concerned by the repression of fundamental freedoms of expression, association, assembly, and belief. We call on Libya to create and maintain a safe and enabling environment for civil society, human rights defenders and media workers to operate - a vital element for sustainable peace.

Ireland also calls on all parties to the conflict to meet their obligations under international human rights law and Security Council Resolution 1325.

We regret that gross violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law continue unabated. Accountability for human rights violations, is vital in Libya's peace process.

We note your recommendations and reiterate Ireland's commitment to the full implementation of the Global Compacts for Refugees and for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

Chair, what concrete support can the international community provide to address the disproportionate impact the conflict has on women and girls?