

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE ICC PROSECUTOR:**

**VICTIMS WHO HAVE BEEN ALLEGEDLY FORCIBLY DISPLACED  
FROM MYANMAR TO BANGLADESH SINCE AT LEAST 9 OCTOBER 2016  
HAVE UNTIL 28 OCTOBER 2019 TO SEND THEIR VIEWS TO THE ICC  
IN THE HAGUE ON THE OPENING OF AN INVESTIGATION**

The Hague, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019

By this notice, the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, Fatou Bensouda, informs victims who have been allegedly deported from Myanmar to Bangladesh since at least 9 October 2016, that she has requested authorization from Pre-Trial Chamber III to open an investigation into the alleged deportation of individuals, and related crimes, in accordance with Article 15(3) of the Rome Statute and Rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

The Prosecutor considers that there is a reasonable basis to proceed with an investigation in relation to the alleged deportation of members of the Rohingya people from Myanmar to Bangladesh and related crimes committed in the context of the 2016 and 2017 waves of violence in Rakhine State, Myanmar.

According to Article 15(3) of the Rome Statute, “victims may make representations to the Pre-Trial Chamber, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and Evidence”. Accordingly, the Prosecutor hereby notifies victims who have been allegedly deported from Myanmar to Bangladesh since at least 9 October 2016, that they can send their views and comments to the Judges of Pre-Trial Chamber III on whether an investigation into the alleged crime of deportation, and related crimes, should be opened.

A summary of the Prosecutor’s request for authorisation to open an investigation in the Situation in Bangladesh/Myanmar is available on the Court’s website in English, Burmese, and Bengali at <https://www.icc-cpi.int/rohingya-myanmar>. The victims or their representatives have until **28 October 2019** to make representations to the Pre-

Trial Chamber through the Victims Participation and Reparations Section (“VPRS”) of the Registry.

Please note that victims’ engagement with the ICC is strictly voluntary. Victims can make their representations in writing, preferably in English or French (the ICC’s working languages), either using the attached representation form developed by the Registry and ready for download as a PDF file from the ICC webpage (<https://www.icc-cpi.int/rohingya-myanmar>) or using the online form also available on the ICC website: <https://www.icc-cpi.int/vr/>. Filled-out representation forms that have not been filled out and transmitted online should be sent to the Victims Participation and Reparations Section (VPRS) to the postal address below:

International Criminal Court  
Victims Participation and Reparations Section Situation in Bangladesh/Myanmar  
PO Box 19519  
2500 CM, The Hague  
The Netherlands

Victims may also send their representations to the following email address: [VPRS.Information@icc-cpi.int](mailto:VPRS.Information@icc-cpi.int)

Each victim/group of victims should fill in only one single form, either the online version or the (identical) PDF version of the form, to make their representation.

Before filling in the representation form, victims should carefully read the attached instructions developed by the Registry, and also accessible alongside the representation form on the ICC webpage: <https://www.icc-cpi.int/rohingya-myanmar>,

In addition, victims are encouraged to contact the VPRS for any questions and assistance, at: [VPRS.Information@icc-cpi.int](mailto:VPRS.Information@icc-cpi.int)

The Pre-Trial Chamber may request additional information from any of the victims who have made such representations, and may hold a hearing if it considers it appropriate.

The Chamber will give notice of its decision on the Prosecutor’s request to all victims who have made representations. The VPRS will contact all victims who have submitted representations and/or their representatives in order to provide relevant information.

Should the Judges authorise the opening of an investigation, victims may also be able, in a separate process at a later stage, to apply for participation in potential judicial proceedings and have the opportunity to present their views and concerns. In the context of a case, victims will also be entitled to request reparations.

The present notice has been posted as of today on the website of the ICC, and sent to the media worldwide, including the media of Bangladesh, Myanmar, the authorities of Bangladesh and Myanmar, and to a wide range of NGOs. The Registry is ready to receive victims' representations through the above channels with immediate effect.