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The findings of the preliminary report issued by the United Nations International Fact-Finding Mission on Myanmar contain very serious allegations of crimes committed under international law. They constitute a crucial input ahead of the 39th UN Human Rights Council Session in September, which will discuss follow-up on the Mission's findings.

The European Union has consistently advocated against impunity for those responsible for systematic human rights violations in Myanmar. The report of the Fact-Finding Mission confirms the importance of ensuring that perpetrators of crimes are held to account. The European Union has already taken measures against seven individuals responsible for or associated with serious human rights violations in Rakhine State and will continue to monitor the situation and keep its decision under constant review.

We look forward to receiving the full report of the Mission and stand ready to work on its recommendations. The EU will reflect with the United Nations and other members of the international community towards establishing an appropriate accountability process.

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