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Item 10 technical capacity Yemen

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Mr President,

This is a joint statement on behalf of ISHR, the <u>Justice for Yemen Pact Coalition</u> and DT Institute.

My name is Angila Al Mamari, I am a Yemeni HRD working with Center for Strategic Studies to Support Women and Children, member of the Justice for Yemen Pact Coalition.

The <u>Justice for Yemen Pact</u>, a coalition of ten Yemeni civil society organizations, decries the inaction of the international community at the alarming and unprecedented crackdown on civil society. States need to take every possible action to facilitate the release of all arbitrarily detained individuals, including through diplomatic efforts, and increase support to civil society.

Following the grave deterioration of the situation, civil society reiterates that technical capacity is not enough and urges States to call for the effective investigation of human rights abuses and violations of international human rights and humanitarian law, by establishing a long overdue 'independent international criminally focused <u>investigative mechanism</u> on Yemen'.

Independent and impartial investigations are indispensable to put an end to the pervasive culture of impunity. We urge:

- The UN, including the OHCHR and the Special Envoy to issue detailed reports on a victims focused, human rights based transitional Justice
- States to ensure that any negotiated settlement or peace process includes participation of victims and survivors, effectively addressing their rights to justice and reparations.

Thank you