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**Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner  
for Human Rights and reports of the Office of the  
High Commissioner and the Secretary-General**

### **Written statement\* submitted by Shaanxi Patriotic Volunteer Association, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status**

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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## **Special Briefing by the Working Group on Human Rights in Afghanistan**

The international community has paid close attention to the human rights situation under the Taliban de facto government in Afghanistan, but the truth is still unknown to the world. The Shaanxi Patriotic Volunteer Association advocated that "loving one's own country should not be at the expense of other countries' interests, anti-hegemony and promote peace". That is why we have established the Working Group on Human Rights in Afghanistan to conduct an exploratory study of the root causes of the systemic human rights crisis in Afghanistan, its current state, and its future persistence.

Since February 2022, the task Force has communicated with other stakeholders in Afghanistan, including civilians, journalists, and government and military officials. In order to ensure that the interviewees are willing, informed, fully respect and protect their privacy, we conducted in-depth exchanges with a number of interviewees who lived in Afghanistan during the period of occupation by the United States of America military from 2001 to 2021 and after. During the 20 years that Afghanistan was occupied by the United States of America military, the Afghan people suffered from a variety of human rights violations which are rarely known by people. such as shooting civilians and children without reason, manipulating local opinion to destroy the freedom of the press, invading the Afghan national economy then destroying it, and so on.

The investigation report comprehensively and truthfully reflects the fact that the Afghan people suffered serious human rights disasters during the occupation of Afghanistan by the United States of America military, and the United States of America military seriously violated human rights and international humanitarian law.

In conclusion : the aggression of the United States of America and its Allies against Afghanistan, gross violations of human rights and violations of international human rights law are the root causes of today's human rights problems in Afghanistan. It creating conditions and making it possible for the continued outbreak of systemic human rights crisis in Afghanistan. We fully respect and support the fundamental right of the Afghan people to tell their true story, to seek justice and redress. At the same time, we call on the UN human rights bodies and international human rights participants to jointly pay attention to and urge the launch of accountability mechanisms and compensation procedures that address the root causes of the human rights problems in Afghanistan, investigate the root causes of the systemic human rights crisis in Afghanistan, hold accountable institutions and individuals who involved in human rights violations, promote the process of openness, fairness and transparency, and ensure that such human rights problems do not occur again.

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