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Mr President

The relentless one sided dialogue crafted and perpetuated by some states and this COI is not going to bring peace to Syria. Negative and hostile approach based on fabricated accusations and distortion of facts promoted by countries financing terrorist groups have dictated this council's discussion on Syria. Although the COI was established under the principle of impartiality and objectivity, the report doesn't address the ongoing illegal military aggression of Israel, as recent as yesterday's missile attack in Sahnaya, Homs and the surroundings of Damascus that killed 4, including one child, and wounded 21 civilians.

Such aggression against a sovereign state should lead to the appropriate consequences, including a response from the UN Security Council. But for Israel, which works in tandem with the USA in the region, it would appear that these actions have no consequences. Instead today the focus is "protection of civilian lives in Idlib". The lives of victims of aggression by terrorists groups and Israel don't matter in the eyes of the self proclaimed human rights protectorates.

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Kham Center and ICSFT deeply regret the COI's continued disregard to terrorism and unilateral coercive measures which are fundamental to the suffering of Syrians.

We condemn the ongoing politicization, double standard, and reject any attempt to use human rights issue as a tool to pressure and interfere in internal affairs and attack sovereign states. Therefore we urge this council and states to provide support based on constructive cooperation and respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity.

We must not let biased and unilateral international political rhetoric overwhelm our responsibility to the ongoing illegal and unilateral attacks on the people of Syria and their sovereign country.