



Statement by the Delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan

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in response to statements on the case of Arif Yunusov

Mr. Chairperson,

The Delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan takes note of the interest expressed by the European Union and aligned countries of Montenegro, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, as well as the Delegation of the USA on the case of Mr. Arif Yunusov.

In response to the statements, I would like to confirm that on November 12, the Baku Court of Appeal decided to change the verdict on Mr. Arif Yunusov on humanitarian grounds.

I would also like to reiterate the readiness of the Azerbaijani side to further deepen dialogue and cooperation with the European Union to the benefit of both sides.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.