

Ensuring effective UN mechanisms for responding to crimes under international law

Monday, 18 March 2019, 13:30 – 15:00
Palais des Nations, Room XXV

The Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar (IIMM) is the latest accountability mechanism created with a mandate that extends beyond traditional human rights monitoring, documentation and reporting.

It is similar to the International, Impartial, Independent Mechanism (IIIM) established for Syria which is also mandated to collect, consolidate, preserve and analyze evidence of violations of international humanitarian law and human rights violations and abuses for the purpose of preparing files that can be used in criminal trials.

The panel will discuss a range of issues including how can we ensure these mechanisms contribute to and complement the existing international criminal justice framework at the national, regional and international levels; what is required to ensure these mechanisms are properly supported and resourced; to what extent can these mechanisms effectively coordinate, including with the ICC; and, taking a long term view, what more could be done to narrow the accountability gap in the future.

This panel is the second in a series of panels on accountability hosted by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands.

Opening Remarks:

Ambassador Monique van Daalen, Permanent Representative to the UN of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Moderator:

Saman Zia-Zarifi, Secretary General, International Commission of Jurists

Panelists:

Andrew Clapham, Member of the Commission on Human Rights in South Sudan

Sanji Monageng, former Judge/Vice-President of the ICC, ICJ Commissioner

Stephen Rapp, Chair, Commission for International Justice & Accountability (CIJA), Distinguished Fellow, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, and former United States Ambassador-at-Large for Global Criminal Justice

Amady Ba, Head, International Cooperation Section, JCCD, OTP, International Criminal Court (ICC)

Kingsley Abbott, ICJ Senior Legal Adviser for Global Redress and Accountability

The event will be live-streamed on: <https://www.facebook.com/ridhglobal> and <https://www.facebook.com/InternationalCommissionofJurists>