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Upon instructions from the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan, I have the honour to refer to the appeal by the Western Azerbaijan Community, an organization dealing with the protection of the rights of Azerbaijanis expelled from nowadays Armenia.\*

In the appeal, the Community demands that the Government of Armenia enable, within an international process, the safe and dignified return of ethnic Azerbaijanis to their homes in Armenia, and the realization of their collective and individual rights after their return, and requests the support of the international community in this matter.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Economic and Social Council, under agenda items 17, 18 and 19.

(Signed) Yashar Aliyev  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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\* See [A/77/706-S/2023/43](#), annex.

