

**Sixth Committee – Agenda item 78
Crimes against Humanity**

**Statement by the Federal Republic of Germany
10 October 2022**

Germany fully aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union.

As a firm supporter of international criminal law, Germany attaches great importance to a Convention on Crimes against Humanity, based on the International Law Commission's Draft Articles.

Crimes against Humanity are among the most serious crimes known to humankind. We are witnessing these atrocities only too often

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prevention and punishment of Crimes against Humanity,
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At this stage, our aim is to proceed by setting up a structured process towards treaty negotiations based on the ILC's draft articles. We are convinced that a convention would provide further impetus to the prevention of atrocity crimes. The draft articles will serve as a solid basis for successful negotiations on a convention in an inclusive manner.

Germany remains strongly committed to the fight against impunity for the most serious international crimes. We will fully support the elaboration of such a Convention, on the basis of the draft articles as recommended by the ILC, and will proactively contribute to the work of an Ad Hoc Committee to this end.

Thank you.