

# Lord Ahmad statement on UN Security Council resolution to sanction Sultan Zabin

Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon, Prime Minister's Special Representative on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict and Minister of State for South Asia and the Commonwealth, said:

Today's UN Security Council Resolution 2564 (2021) sanctioning Sultan Zabin clearly demonstrates that the international community will not tolerate the atrocious use of torture and sexual violence in conflict zones. It is just and right that Zabin is sanctioned for leading the Criminal Investigation Department's (CID) heinous campaign of systematic arrest, detention, torture, sexual violence and rape against politically active women in Yemen.

Using sexual violence as a weapon is a terrible crime, and the UK will continue to call out perpetrators and hold them to account.

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