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Statement by Adama Dieng, Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide and Jennifer Welsh, Special Adviser on the Responsibility to Protect, on the escalation of incitement rhetoric in response to the murder of Jordanian pilot Moaz al-Kasasbeh

(New York, 6 February 2015) The Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, Adama Dieng, and the Special Adviser on the Responsibility to Protect, Jennifer Welsh, condemn the murder of Jordanian pilot Moaz al-Kasasbeh by the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). “This appalling and brutal murder is yet another example of a deliberate abuse of human rights and international humanitarian law by ISIL.”

The murder of Moaz al-Kasasbeh most likely constitutes a war crime and represents the latest in a series of

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