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> Albania,\* Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan,\* Bahamas, Belgium,\* Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada,\* Chile, Colombia,\* Croatia, Cyprus,\* Fiji, Georgia,\* Greece,\* Haiti,\* Honduras,\* Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg,\* Mexico, Montenegro,\* Netherlands,\* North Macedonia,\* Paraguay,\* Portugal,\* Republic of Moldova,\* Romania,\* Serbia,\* Spain, Thailand,\* Tunisia, Turkey,\* Ukraine and Uruguay: draft resolution

## 42/... Promoting international cooperation to support national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up

## The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 48/141 of 20 December 1993, 60/251 of 15 March 2006 and 65/281 of 17 June 2011 and Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1 of 18 June 2007, 16/21 of 25 March 2011, 30/25 of 2 October 2015 and 36/29 of 29 September 2017,

*Reaffirming* its commitment to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, adopted by the World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna on 25 June 1993,

*Recalling* that the promotion and protection of human rights and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development are interrelated and mutually reinforcing,

*Recognizing* that the enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights is essential for the full achievement of the purposes of the United Nations, including the effective promotion and protection of all human rights,

Affirming that technical cooperation, provided in consultation with and with the consent of the State concerned, including cooperation for the purpose of strengthening the follow-up to and effective implementation of their international human rights obligations and commitments, should promote an inclusive exercise that engages and involves all national stakeholders, including government agencies, national human rights institutions and civil society, at all stages,

*Recognizing* the need to continue cooperation, based on the diverse experiences and good practices from South-South cooperation, triangular cooperation and North-South cooperation, and to further explore complementarities and synergies between them with the

<sup>\*</sup> State not member of the Human Rights Council.





aim of enhancing international cooperation in the field of human rights, in particular the strengthening of national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up,

*Recognizing also* the important, valuable and mutually reinforcing role and contribution of all human rights mechanisms of international and regional human rights systems for the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

*Recognizing further* the constructive role and contribution of all branches of State, as well as of national human rights institutions, civil society, academia and other relevant stakeholders in the strengthening of national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up, and encouraging their continued participation in and contribution to these mechanisms,

*Bearing in mind* that States should integrate their obligations and commitments under international human rights law into their national legislation and public policies in order to ensure that State action at the national level is effectively directed towards the promotion and protection of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, in order to contribute to the prevention of human rights violations,

1. Welcomes the technical assistance and capacity-building provided by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Development Programme, through United Nations Resident Coordinators and United Nations national and regional representations, in consultation with, and with the consent of, the State concerned, particularly with a view to supporting the establishment or the strengthening of national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up;

2. *Encourages* States to establish or strengthen national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up for further compliance with human rights obligations or commitments, and to share good practices and experiences in their use for the elaboration of public policies with a human rights approach;

3. *Requests* the Office of the High Commissioner to organize five regional consultations to exchange experiences and good practices relating to the establishment and development of national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up, and their impact on effective implementation of human rights obligations and commitments, in consultation with all relevant stakeholders;

4. Also requests the Office of the High Commissioner to prepare a report with conclusions and recommendations of the regional meetings in order to identify forms of cooperation between the Human Rights Council and the national mechanisms for implementation, reporting and follow-up, and to submit the report to the Council at its forty-seventh session;

5. *Decides* to continue its consideration of the matter.