



Human Rights Council**Forty-fifth session**

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Agenda items 3 and 5

**Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil,
political economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development****Human rights bodies and mechanisms****Report of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee on
the negative effects of terrorism on the enjoyment of all
human rights and fundamental freedoms****Note by the Secretariat***

1. In its resolution 34/8 of 23 March 2017, the Human Rights Council requested the Advisory Committee to conduct a study and prepare a report on the negative effects of terrorism on the enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, with a particular focus on economic, social and cultural rights, including as a result of diverting foreign direct investment, reducing capital inflows, destroying infrastructure, limiting foreign trade, disturbing financial markets, negatively affecting certain economic sectors and impeding economic growth, and to recommend actions to be taken by Governments, United Nations human rights mechanisms, regional and international organizations and civil society organizations in that regard, and to present the report to the Council at its thirty-ninth session, to be discussed during the interactive dialogue.
2. At its thirty-eighth and forty-second sessions, the Human Rights Council decided, respectively, to extend the time for the Advisory Committee to complete the study and submit the report thereon to the Council at its forty-second and subsequently at its forty-fifth sessions.
3. At its twenty-fourth session, held from 17 to 21 February 2020, the Advisory Committee took note of the draft report prepared by the drafting group and requested the drafting group to continue its work on the report in the intersessional period.
4. Given the highly specific and complex character of the mandate, and that it required further thorough discussion, the Advisory Committee then decided to hold further discussions on the draft report at its twenty-fifth session, with a view to finalizing the report for submission to the Human Rights Council at its forty-fifth session.

* The present document was submitted after the deadline in order to reflect the most recent developments.



5. However, the twenty-fifth session of the Advisory Committee, initially scheduled to be held from 17 to 21 August 2020, was postponed until 15–19 February 2021 owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.
 6. Given these circumstances, the Advisory Committee will only be able to finalize the report at its twenty-fifth session, in February 2021.
 7. The report of the Advisory Committee on the negative effects of terrorism on the enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms will therefore be submitted to the Human Rights Council subsequent to the discussions of the Committee to be held at its twenty-fifth session, in February 2021.
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