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Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and reports of the Office of the High Commissioner and the Secretary-General

Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil,
political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development

Intersessional round table on the participation of indigenous peoples in meetings of the Human Rights Council on issues affecting them

Note by the Secretariat

1. In its resolution 42/19 on human rights and indigenous peoples, the Human Rights Council decided to hold an intersessional round table on possible steps to be taken to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of the Human Rights Council on issues affecting them, to allow for the broadest participation of Member States and indigenous peoples, with the full and effective participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions from the seven indigenous sociocultural regions represented at the thirteenth session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
2. The Council requested the chairs of the round table and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare a summary report on the round table to be presented to the Council at its forty-fifth session.
3. The round table was to be held on the margins of the thirteenth session of the Expert Mechanism, which was scheduled to take place from 8 to 12 June 2020. The thirteenth session was postponed to 30 November to 4 December 2020, owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.
4. It is anticipated that the Council will hold the intersessional round table on the margins of the rescheduled thirteenth session of the Expert Mechanism.
5. The above-mentioned report will therefore be submitted to the Human Rights Council for consideration at its forty-sixth session.

