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

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Lanka,* Spain,* State of Palestine,* Sudan,* Sweden,* Thailand,* Tunisia,* Turkey,*
Tuvalu,* United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern
Ireland, United States of America, Yemen:* draft resolution

27/... Panel discussion on realizing the equal enjoyment of the right to education by every girl

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on
Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural
Rights and other relevant international human rights instruments,*

*Recalling also the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Convention on the
Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,*

*Recalling further all relevant Human Rights Council resolutions, in particular its
resolutions on the right to education, the most recent of which is resolution 26/17 of 26
June 2014,*

*Recalling the United Nations Millennium Declaration, in which Member States
resolved to ensure that, by 2015, children everywhere, boys and girls alike, would be able
to complete a full course of primary schooling and that girls and boys would have equal*

* Non-member State of the Human Rights Council.



access to all levels of education, in accordance with the Education for All agenda and education-related Millennium Development Goals,

Noting with appreciation the work carried out by all relevant organs, bodies and mechanisms of the United Nations system within their respective mandates, in particular the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, as well as the efforts of organizations and civil society to promote girls' enjoyment of the right to education,

Deeply concerned that, according to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, none of the Education for All goals will be achieved globally by 2015, despite the advances achieved over the past decade,

Deeply concerned also that, despite progress in recent years, many girls continue to suffer severe disadvantage and exclusion in education systems throughout their lives,

Strongly condemning attacks, including terrorist attacks, on educational institutions as such, their students and staff, and recognizing the negative impact that such attacks can have on the realization of the right to education, in particular of girls,

Strongly condemning also attacks on and abductions of girls because they attend or wish to attend school,

Reaffirming the equal right of every child to education without discrimination of any kind, and noting the discrimination often faced by girls,

1. *Decides* to convene, at its twenty-ninth session, a panel discussion on realizing the equal enjoyment of the right to education by every girl, with a view to sharing lessons learned and best practices in this regard;

2. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to organize the panel and to liaise with States, relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, relevant special procedures, civil society, including relevant children's and youth organizations, national human rights institutions and other relevant stakeholders with a view to ensuring their participation in and contribution to the panel discussion;

3. *Also requests* the High Commissioner to prepare a summary report of the panel discussion, and to present it to the Human Rights Council at its thirtieth session.
