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

Albania,* Armenia,* Australia, Austria, Belgium,* Bolivia (Plurinational State of),* Bulgaria, Chile, China, Colombia,* Croatia, Cyprus,* Czechia, Denmark, Fiji, Finland,* France,* Georgia,* Germany,* Greece,* Hungary, Iceland, Ireland,* Israel,* Italy, Kenya,* Liechtenstein,* Lithuania,* Luxembourg,* Malta,* Mexico, Montenegro,* Namibia,* Netherlands,* North Macedonia,* Norway,* Portugal,* Republic of Moldova,* Romania,* Rwanda, Slovakia, Slovenia,* Spain, Sweden,* Switzerland,* Thailand,* Tunisia, Turkey,* Ukraine and Uruguay: draft resolution

42/... Marking the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

The Human Rights Council,

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

Reaffirming the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and other relevant international human rights instruments,

Reaffirming also the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, adopted by the Fourth World Conference on Women on 15 September 1995, and taking note of the outcome documents of its review conferences, and reaffirming also the General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, in which the Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the obligation of all States to promote and protect the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights by all women and girls,

Noting that 2020 marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference of Women and the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, which have contributed greatly to the progress made towards achieving gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls,

Welcoming the progress made towards achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls while stressing that challenges and obstacles remain in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action,

1. *Decides* to convene, during the high-level segment at its forty-third session, a high-level panel discussion to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, with a particular focus on the implementation of the Beijing

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Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome documents of its review conferences, as well as on achievements, best practices and challenges in this regard;

2. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to liaise with States, relevant United Nations bodies and agencies, treaty bodies, special procedures and regional human rights mechanisms, as well as with civil society, including non-governmental organizations, and national human rights institutions, with a view to ensuring their participation in the panel discussion, and to make it fully accessible for persons with disabilities;

3. *Also requests* the High Commissioner to prepare a summary report on the panel discussion and to submit it to the Human Rights Council at its forty-fifth session and to the General Assembly at its seventy-fifth session.
