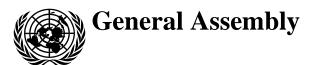
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20/... United Nations declaration on the right to peace

The Human Rights Council,

Recalling all previous resolutions on the promotion of the right of peoples to peace adopted by the General Assembly, the Commission on Human Rights and the Human Rights Council, in particular Council resolutions 14/3 of 17 June 2010 and 17/16 of 17 June 2011, in which the Council requested the Advisory Committee, in consultation with Member States, civil society, academia and all relevant stakeholders, to prepare a draft declaration on the right of peoples to peace,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 39/11 of 12 November 1984 entitled "Declaration of the Right of Peoples to Peace" and the United Nations Millennium Declaration,

Determined to foster strict respect for the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Welcoming the important work being carried out by civil society organizations for the promotion of the right to peace and their contribution to the codification of that right,

Taking note of the draft declaration prepared by the Advisory Committee contained in its study¹ submitted to the Human Rights Council,

1. Decides to establish an open-ended intergovernmental working group with the mandate of negotiating, finalizing and submitting to the Human Rights Council a draft United Nations declaration on the right to peace, on the basis of the draft submitted by the Advisory Committee, and without prejudging relevant past, present and future views and proposals;

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¹ A/HRC/20/31.

- 2. Also decides that the working group shall hold its first session for five working days in 2013, before the twenty-second session of the Human Rights Council;
- 3. Requests the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide the working group with the assistance necessary for it to fulfil its mandate;
- 4. Requests the President of the Human Rights Council to invite the Chairperson of the Advisory Committee drafting group on the draft declaration to participate in the first session of the working group;
- 5. *Invites* Member States, civil society and all relevant stakeholders to contribute actively and constructively to the work of the working group;
- 6. *Requests* the working group to submit a report on progress made to the Human Rights Council for consideration at its twenty-third session.
