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Tajikistan

Addendum

Views on conclusions and/or recommendations, voluntary commitments and replies presented by the State under review



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Having considered the recommendations made by the States members of the United Nations Human Rights Council during its consideration of the national report submitted by Tajikistan under the universal periodic review (third cycle), Tajikistan should like to note the following:

Recommendation number	Position of Tajikistan
1.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
2.	Tajikistan extends invitations to special procedure mandate holders in the prescribed manner. The authorities are not opposed to country visits by mandate holders. Tajikistan enjoys fairly close cooperation with United Nations special procedures; this recommendation is therefore not accepted at the present time.
3.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
4.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation. Tajikistan will consider the ratification of all international treaties in the light of its national interests and actual financial ability to implement the treaties, and the related political, social and other consequences for the country.
5.	Answered in paragraph 2.
6.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
7.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
8.	Answered in paragraph 7.
9.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
10.	Answered in paragraph 2.
11.	Answered in paragraph 2.
12.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
13.	Answered in paragraph 12.
14.	Answered in paragraph 12.
15.	Answered in paragraph 12.
16.	Answered in paragraph 12.
17.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
18.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
19.	Answered in paragraph 12.
20.	Answered in paragraph 12.
21.	Answered in paragraph 12.
22.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it is not a party to the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and is not yet ready to ratify it. However, the country is taking all necessary measures to effectively combat torture and ill-treatment, particularly in places of detention. In order to ensure a functioning system of preventive visits, a permanent monitoring group has been established within the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman), comprising representatives of government bodies and non-governmental human rights organizations.
23.	Answered in paragraph 18.
24.	Tajikistan accepts the recommendation and considers its national legislation to be fully in line with the Convention against Torture.

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25.	Answered in paragraphs 18 and 22.
26.	Answered in paragraph 22.
27.	Answered in paragraphs 22 and 24.
28.	Answered in paragraph 22.
29.	Answered in paragraph 22.
30.	Answered in paragraph 22.
31.	Answered in paragraph 22.
32.	Answered in paragraph 18.
33.	Answered in paragraphs 18 and 22.
	Tajikistan also does not accept the recommendation to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance; it will consider ratifying the instrument after further study if it is desirable and possible to do so.
34.	Answered in paragraph 18.
35.	Answered in paragraph 18.
36.	Answered in paragraph 18.
37.	Answered in paragraphs 18 and 22.
38.	Answered in paragraph 18.
39.	Answered in paragraph 18.
40.	Answered in paragraphs 33 and 12.
41.	Answered in paragraph 33.
42.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it is not a party to the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and is not yet ready to ratify it. It will consider ratifying the instrument after further study if it is desirable and possible to do so.
43.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it is not a party to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure and is not yet ready to ratify it. It will consider ratifying the instrument after further study if it is desirable and possible to do so.
44.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation; it will consider ratifying the instrument after further study if it is desirable and possible to do so.
45.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
46.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
47.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
48.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation. The matter requires further consideration.
49.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation; it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on freedom of religion and belief and contains no provisions restricting religious education or the right of minors and women to participate in religious activities.
50.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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51.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
52.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
53.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
54.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation; it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on the matter. There is no legislation or practice regarding the criminalization and prosecution of political dissent.
55.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
56.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
57.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
58.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
59.	Answered in paragraph 57.
60.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
61.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
62.	Answered in paragraph 50.
63.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
64.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
65.	Answered in paragraph 49.
66.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation; it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on respect for human rights and freedoms. Furthermore, a bill on equality and the elimination of all forms of discrimination has been drafted.
67.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
68.	Answered in paragraph 49.
69.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation. The matter calls for further consideration.
70.	Answered in paragraph 50.
71.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
72.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
73.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
74.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
75.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
76.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as the acts mentioned therein constitute crimes against government authority, the order of administration of military service, personal liberty, honour and dignity.
77.	Answered in paragraph 66.
78.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
79.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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80.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on fostering an enabling environment for civil society organizations in their work to uphold human rights, including by guaranteeing their right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association.
81.	Answered in paragraph 49.
82.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
83.	Answered in paragraph 82.
84.	Answered in paragraph 82.
85.	Answered in paragraph 82.
86.	Answered in paragraph 82.
87.	Answered in paragraph 66.
88.	Answered in paragraph 66.
89.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
90.	Answered in paragraph 73.
91.	Answered in paragraph 66.
92.	Answered in paragraph 66.
93.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
94.	Answered in paragraph 73.
95.	Answered in paragraph 66.
96.	Answered in paragraphs 49 and 66.
97.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
98.	Answered in paragraph 66.
99.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and will work actively in this regard.
100.	Answered in paragraph 66.
101.	Answered in paragraph 66.
102.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
103.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
104.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
105.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
106.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
107.	Answered in paragraph 106.
108.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
109.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
110.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
111.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
112.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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113.	Answered in paragraph 57.
114.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
115.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
116.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
117.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
118.	Answered in paragraph 50.
119.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
120.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as independent organizations have the access required under the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules) and Tajik law.
121.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
122.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
123.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
124.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation to improve prison conditions in line with the Nelson Mandela Rules and to investigate all cases of prison riots, allegations of torture and ill-treatment and deaths in custody. Tajikistan proposes that a delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross visit these establishments in order to conduct an independent inspection in accordance with Tajik laws.
125.	Answered in paragraph 66.
126.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
127.	Answered in paragraph 18.
128.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
129.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
130.	Answered in paragraph 129.
131.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
132.	Answered in paragraphs 128–129.
133.	Answered in paragraph 129.
134.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
135.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
136.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
137.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
138.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
139.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
140.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
141.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
142.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation to ensure media freedom and pluralism and notes that the existing licensing system for television, radio and audiovisual broadcasting does not contravene the country's international obligations.
143.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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144.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
145.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
146.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as there is no practice of arbitrarily blocking access to websites and mobile phone services. Any blocking of access to websites or mobile phone services is carried out strictly in accordance with the law.
147.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
148.	Answered in paragraph 146.
149.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as there are no cases of persecution for professional or political reasons. Under Tajik law, only persons who have committed crimes, regardless of their profession, are held criminally liable.
150.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on the rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly.
151.	Answered in paragraphs 149–150.
152.	Answered in paragraph 149.
153.	Answered in paragraph 149.
154.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
155.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as the current accreditation scheme for journalists does not contravene the country's international obligations.
156.	Answered in paragraph 149.
157.	Answered in paragraph 149.
158.	Tajikistan does not accept this recommendation, as it believes that its national legislation is in line with international standards on the right to freedom of association.
159.	Answered in paragraphs 150 and 158.
160.	Answered in paragraph 150.
161.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
162.	Answered in paragraphs 149–150.
163.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
164.	Answered in paragraph 150.
165.	Answered in paragraphs 149–150.
166.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
167.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
168.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
169.	Answered in paragraph 149.
170.	Answered in paragraph 149.
171.	Answered in paragraph 149.
172.	Answered in paragraph 149.
173.	Answered in paragraph 149.
174.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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175.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
176.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
177.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
178.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
179.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
180.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
181.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
182.	Answered in paragraph 180.
183.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
184.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
185.	Answered in paragraph 180.
186.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
187.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
188.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
189.	Answered in paragraph 180.
190.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
191.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
192.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
193.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
194.	Answered in paragraph 191.
195.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
196.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
197.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
198.	Answered in paragraph 105.
199.	Answered in paragraph 105.
200.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
201.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
202.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
203.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
204.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
205.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
206.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
207.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
208.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
209.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.

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210.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
211.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
212.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
213.	Answered in paragraph 210.
214.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
215.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
216.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
217.	Answered in paragraph 210.
218.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
219.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
220.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
221.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation and believes that it has already been carried out.
222.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
223.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
224.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
225.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
226.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
227.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
228.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
229.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
230.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
231.	Answered in paragraph 12.
232.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
233.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.
234.	Tajikistan accepts this recommendation.