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### ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

**Cuba, Egypt (on behalf of the African Group), India, Russian Federation,  
Singapore\*, Sri Lanka: draft decision**

#### **8/... Appointment of special procedures mandate-holders**

The Human Rights Council, with regard to the appointment of thematic special procedures mandate-holders, decided that:

(a) All mandate-holders, on completion of their first term of three years, would require reappointment for the second term of three years by the Council;

(b) The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights would prepare and circulate a list of mandate-holders due for reappointment at least three months prior to the completion of their first term;

(c) Any Member State(s) may bring to the attention of the President objections that they may have regarding any special procedures mandate-holders, indicating the basis of their objections;

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\* Non-member State of the Human Rights Council.

(d) Upon receipt of any objections, the President shall hold consultations with the concerned Member State(s) and regional coordinators with the aim of reaching a consensus; consultations may be held with other stakeholders if deemed necessary;

(e) In the event that no agreement is reached, the Council shall make an appropriate decision;

(f) In all other cases of special procedures mandate-holders who have completed three years and about whom no objections have been expressed, the President may recommend renewal of their mandates for another three-year term to the Council for approval.

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