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A global call for concrete action for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

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22/... A global call for concrete action for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The Human Rights Council Advisory Committee,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 72/157 of 19 December 2017 and 73/262 of 22 December 2018, in which the Assembly requested the Human Rights Council to continue to pay attention to the situation regarding racial equality in the world, and in this regard requested the Council, through the Advisory Committee, to prepare a study on appropriate ways and means of assessing the situation, while identifying possible gaps and overlaps,

Recalling also that, at its twenty-first session, the Advisory Committee established a drafting group, currently composed of Mr. Ion Diaconu, Ms. Karla Hananía de Varela, Mr. Ludovic Hennebel (Rapporteur), Mr. Mikhail Lebedev, Mr. José Augusto Lindgren Alves, Mr. Ajai Malhotra, Ms. Mona Omar, Mr. Dheerujlall Seetulsingh (Chair) and Ms. Elizabeth Salmón,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the replies to the questionnaire circulated after the discussion held at the twenty-first session of the Committee, and further encourages the expert mechanisms consulted to further cooperate with the drafting group;

2. *Takes note* of the working document submitted by the drafting group to the Advisory Committee at its twenty-second session;



3. *Notes* that the drafting group and the full Advisory Committee held meetings to discuss the topic;
 4. *Decides* to address a note verbale to Member States and other stakeholders, including international organizations, national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations, in which it requests them to submit, by 30 April 2019, inputs on appropriate ways and means of assessing the situation regarding racial equality in the world;
 5. *Requests* the drafting group to submit a preliminary outline of the study, taking into account the above-mentioned inputs from stakeholders, to the Advisory Committee at its twenty-third session;
 6. *Encourages* the various stakeholders to contribute to the work under way.
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