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Human Rights Council Advisory Committee Seventh session 8–12 August 2011 Agenda item 3 (a) (viii) Promoting human rights and fundamental freedoms through a better understanding of traditional values of humankind

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7/... Study on promoting human rights and fundamental freedoms through a better understanding of traditional values of humankind

The Human Rights Council Advisory Committee,

Recalling Human Rights Council resolution 16/3 of 24 March 2011, in which the Council requested the Advisory Committee to prepare a study on how a better understanding and appreciation of traditional values of dignity, freedom and responsibility could contribute to the promotion and protection of human rights, and to submit it to the Council at its twenty-first session,

Taking note of the discussions at the workshop on traditional values of humankind held on 4 October 2010, and the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights containing a summary of those discussions (A/HRC/16/37),

Having due regard for the statements made at the seventh session of the Advisory Committee,

1. *Decides* to establish a drafting group consisting of the following members: Ms. Chung, Mr. Kartashkin, Mr. Okafor, Ms. Reyes Prado, Ms. Zulficar, Mr. Seetulsingh, Ms. Boisson de Chazournes, Mr. Chen, Mr. Soofi and Mr. Karakora;

2. *Appoints* Mr. Ahmer Bilal Soofi as Chairperson and Mr. Vladimir Kartashkin as Rapporteur of the group;

3. *Requests* the drafting group to prepare the above-mentioned study and to submit it to the Advisory Committee for consideration at its ninth session;



4. *Requests* the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide the drafting group with all the assistance necessary to enable it to accomplish the above-mentioned task.