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## Human Rights Council

### Sixteenth session

#### Agenda item 5

#### Human rights bodies and mechanisms

### President's statement\*

### PRST 16/1

### Reports of the Advisory Committee

At the 48th meeting, on 25 March 2011, the President of the Human Rights Council read out the following statement:

*"The Human Rights Council,*

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Advisory Committee on its fifth and sixth sessions (A/HRC/16/60 and A/HRC/16/61);
2. *Notes* that, at the fifth session, four recommendations were made by the Advisory Committee relating to the following:
  - (a) A draft set of principles and guidelines for the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members;
  - (b) A study on discrimination in the context of the right to food;
  - (c) The promotion of the right of peoples to peace;
  - (d) The enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights;
3. *Also notes* that at the sixth session, five recommendations were made by the Advisory Committee relating to the following:
  - (a) Missing persons;
  - (b) A study on discrimination in the context of the right to food;
  - (c) The promotion of the right of peoples to peace;

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\* The present statement will be contained in the report of the Human Rights Council on its sixteenth session (A/HRC/16/2), chap. III.

(d) A preliminary study on ways and means to further advance the rights of people working in rural areas;

(e) The enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights;

3. *Further notes that:*

(a) Recommendation 5/3, on a draft set of principles and guidelines for the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members, has been addressed in the context of Human Rights Council resolution 15/10;

(b) Recommendations 5/1 and 6/2, on the study on discrimination in the context of the right to food, and recommendation 6/5, on the preliminary study on ways and means to further advance the rights of people working in rural areas, have been addressed in the context of Human Rights Council resolution 16/27;

(c) Recommendations 5/4 and 6/4, on the drafting group on enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights, have been addressed in the context of Human Rights Council resolution 16/22;

(d) Recommendations 5/2 and 6/3, on the drafting group on the promotion of the right of peoples to peace, will be addressed in the context of the work of the Human Rights Council at its seventeenth session;

(e) Recommendation 6/1, on missing persons, may be addressed in the context of the Human Rights Council at its future sessions.

It is my understanding that, after consulting with Member States, this procedure does not set any precedent for future reports of the Advisory Committee, which will be dealt with in accordance with Human Rights Council resolution 5/1.”

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