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Report of the Third Committee*

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2014, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”, the sub-item entitled “Implementation of human rights instruments” and to allocate it to the Third Committee.
2. The Third Committee considered the sub-item at its 21st and 22nd meetings, on 21 October 2014, when it held a general discussion on the sub-item jointly with sub-item 68 (d), entitled “Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action”. An account of the Committee’s discussion is contained in the relevant summary records ([A/C.3/69/SR.21](#) and 22).
3. For the documents before the Committee under this sub-item, see document [A/69/488](#).
4. At the 21st meeting, on 21 October, the Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York made an introductory statement (see [A/C.3/69/SR.21](#)).
5. At the same meeting, the Chair of the Committee against Torture made an introductory statement and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Chile and the European Union (see [A/C.3/69/SR.21](#)).
6. Also at the same meeting, the Chair of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment made an introductory statement and responded to the questions and comments made by the representatives of Switzerland, the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom,

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Azerbaijan and the European Union (see [A/C.3/69/SR.21](#)).

7. Also at the 21st meeting, the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment made an introductory statement and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of the United States of America, Switzerland, Denmark, Norway, Brazil, Bahrain, Argentina, the United Kingdom, Maldives, Morocco and the European Union (see [A/C.3/69/SR.21](#)).

8. At the 22nd meeting, on 21 October, the Rapporteur of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, on behalf of the Chair of that Committee, made an introductory statement and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of Switzerland, Belarus, Argentina (also on behalf of Belgium, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ecuador, Finland, Portugal, Spain and Uruguay), Costa Rica, South Africa, Chile, Cuba and the European Union (see [A/C.3/69/SR.22](#)).

9. At the same meeting, the Chair of the Human Rights Committee made an introductory statement and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of Belarus, Switzerland, Norway and the European Union (see [A/C.3/69/SR.22](#)).

10. No action was taken by the Committee under the sub-item.
