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International Covenants on Human Rights

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution [66/148](#) of 19 December 2011,

Welcoming the entry into force of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on 5 May 2013,

1. *Welcomes* the annual reports of the Human Rights Committee submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh¹ and sixty-eighth² sessions;

2. *Also welcomes* the reports of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its forty-sixth and forty-seventh sessions³ and on its forty-eighth and forty-ninth sessions;⁴

3. *Invites* the Chairs of the Committees to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth and seventieth sessions under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”, within existing resources;

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/67/40), vols. I and II.*

² *Ibid., Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/68/40), vols. I and II.*

³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2012, Supplement No. 2 (E/2012/22).*

⁴ *Ibid., 2013, Supplement No. 2 (E/2013/22).*



4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of the status of the International Covenants on Human Rights and the Optional Protocols thereto, including all reservations and declarations, through the United Nations websites.
