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البند ٣ من جدول الأعمال
تعزيز وحماية جميع حقوق الإنسان، المدنية والسياسية والاقتصادية والاجتماعية والثقافية، بما في ذلك الحق في التنمية

معلومات مقدمة من اللجنة الاسكتلندية لحقوق الإنسان*

مذكرة من الأمانة

تحيل أمانة مجلس حقوق الإنسان طيّه الرسالة المقدمة من اللجنة الاسكتلندية لحقوق الإنسان**، مستنسخة أدناه وفقاً للمادة ٧(ب) من النظام الداخلي الوارد في مرفق قرار المجلس ١/٥، التي تقضي بأن تستند مشاركة المؤسسات الوطنية لحقوق الإنسان إلى الترتيبات والممارسات التي وافقت عليها لجنة حقوق الإنسان، بما في ذلك القرار ٢٠٠٥/٧٤ المؤرخ ٢٠ نيسان/أبريل ٢٠٠٥.

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Annex

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Information presented by the Scottish Human Rights Commission on the Report of the Independent Expert on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment

Mr. President,

Distinguished delegates,

The Scottish Human Rights Commission (SHRC) notes with appreciation the report of the Independent Expert on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment. The Commission welcomes the focus on identifying the legal and institutional framework that States have to adopt in order to protect individuals against environmental harm which interferes with the enjoyment of human rights.

As an independent national human rights institution with a broad mandate to promote and protect human rights, SHRC is uniquely positioned to hold States accountable, to monitor developments and offer constructive advice and guidance on appropriate measures to support and strengthen environmental policy making at national level.

SHRC welcomes the Special Rapporteur's emphasis on policy making, the connections between substantive and procedural rights, the impact on vulnerable groups and the relationship between human rights obligations and best practices. The Independent Expert's report timely covers the especially pressing environmental challenges that we face today, including climate change. The Commission recognises the need to integrate these issues into both domestic policy and practice.

To this end, the Commission has led the development of Scotland's first National Action Plan for Human Rights which will help bring about a consistent process for integration of relevant human rights standards in Scotland's climate change policy and practice.

Scotland has taken a number of steps in this area including the creation of a Climate Justice Fund which has supported water projects in Malawi and Zambia, and also what is understood to be the world's first unanimous Parliamentary motion on Climate Justice. This motion recognises the intrinsic linkages between human rights, development and climate change. Scotland's National Action Plan will build on these commitments and ensure that Scotland plays a key role in sharing with other countries its own experience of putting people and human rights at the heart of climate policy**.**

The Commission looks forward to closely collaborating and providing any further information on these issues to the Independent Expert and the Council.