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Report of the Human Rights Council

Report of the Third Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 16 September 2022, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled “Report of the Human Rights Council” and to allocate it to both the plenary and the Third Committee, in accordance with its resolution [65/281](#).
2. The Committee held a general discussion and considered a proposal and took action on the item at its 44th and 54th meetings, on 2 and 17 November 2022, respectively. An account of the Committee’s consideration of the item is contained in the relevant summary records.¹
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Human Rights Council on its thirty-second, thirty-third and thirty-fourth special sessions and its forty-ninth and fiftieth sessions ([A/77/53](#)) and on its fifty-first session ([A/77/53/Add.1](#)).
4. At the 44th meeting, on 2 November 2022, the President of the Human Rights Council made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Latvia (on behalf of the Nordic and Baltic countries), Chile, Switzerland, Cameroon, Brazil, Argentina, Cuba, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Ethiopia, Morocco, China, Malawi, Nigeria, El Salvador, the Netherlands, Australia (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Norway), France, the Syrian Arab Republic, Angola and Italy.
5. At the 46th meeting, on 10 November, the representative of the United States of America made a statement with regard to the draft resolutions before the Committee.²

¹ [A/C.3/77/SR.44](#) and [A/C.3/77/SR.54](#).

² See [A/C.3/77/SR.46](#).



II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.3/77/L.53](#)

6. At its 54th meeting, on 17 November 2022, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Report of the Human Rights Council” ([A/C.3/77/L.53](#)), submitted by Ecuador and Liberia (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States). Subsequently, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

7. At the same meeting, the Plurinational State of Bolivia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

8. Also at the same meeting, the representative of South Africa (on behalf of the African Group) made a statement.

9. Also at the 54th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.3/77/L.53](#) by a recorded vote of 113 to 4, with 59 abstentions (see para. 12). The voting was as follows:³

In favour:

Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against:

Belarus, Eswatini, Israel, Nicaragua.

Abstaining:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Samoa, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

10. Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Sri Lanka; statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Czechia (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Montenegro, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia and

³ The delegation of Eswatini subsequently indicated that it had intended to vote in favour.

Türkiye), Nicaragua, the United States of America and Liechtenstein (also on behalf of Australia, Canada, Iceland, New Zealand, Norway and Switzerland).

11. After the vote, statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Israel, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China, Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic; statements were made by the representatives of Ethiopia and Eritrea.

III. Recommendation of the Third Committee

12. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Report of the Human Rights Council

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions [60/251](#) of 15 March 2006, by which it established the Human Rights Council, and [65/281](#) of 17 June 2011 on the review of the Council,

Recalling also its resolutions [62/219](#) of 22 December 2007, [63/160](#) of 18 December 2008, [64/143](#) of 18 December 2009, [65/195](#) of 21 December 2010, [66/136](#) of 19 December 2011, [67/151](#) of 20 December 2012, [68/144](#) of 18 December 2013, [69/155](#) of 18 December 2014, [70/136](#) of 17 December 2015, [71/174](#) of 19 December 2016, [72/153](#) of 19 December 2017, [73/152](#) of 17 December 2018, [74/132](#) of 18 December 2019, [75/165](#) of 16 December 2020 and [76/145](#) of 16 December 2021,

Having considered the recommendations contained in the report of the Human Rights Council,¹

Takes note of the report of the Human Rights Council, including the addendum thereto, and its recommendations.

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-seventh Session, Supplement No. 53 (A/77/53); and ibid., Supplement No. 53A (A/77/53/Add.1).*