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**Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights
questions, including alternative approaches for improving the
effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms**

**China, Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Sierra Leone*: amendment to draft
resolution A/C.3/70/L.46/Rev.1**

**Recognizing the role of human rights defenders and the need for
their protection**

Amend the tenth preambular paragraph to read:

Mindful that domestic law and administrative provisions and their application should not hinder, but enable the work of human rights defenders, including by avoiding any criminalization or stigmatization of the lawful activities and legitimate role of human rights defenders and the communities of which they are a part or on whose behalf they work, and by avoiding impediments, obstructions, restrictions or selective enforcement thereof contrary to States' obligations under international human rights law,

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States.

