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Agenda item 72 (b)

**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 fourteenth preambular paragraph to read:

*Recognizing*, as appropriate, the urgent need to address, and to take concrete steps to prevent and stop, the use of legislation which, where it exists, hinders or limits unduly the ability of human rights defenders to exercise their work, including by reviewing and, where necessary, amending relevant legislation and its implementation in order to ensure compliance with the obligations and commitments of States under international human rights law,

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

