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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 fifteenth preambular paragraph to read:

Gravely concerned by the considerable and increasing number of allegations and communications received by special procedures of the Human Rights Council indicating the serious nature of the risks faced by human rights defenders, including women human rights defenders, and the prevalence of impunity for violations and abuses against them in many countries, where they face threats, harassment and attacks and suffer insecurity, including through restrictions on the rights to freedom of opinion, expression, association or peaceful assembly and the abuse of criminal or civil proceedings,

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

