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1. Organizational and procedural matters

Date and venue of the session

1. The Human Rights Council will hold its forty-seventh session from 21 June to 9 July 2021 at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The dates are subject to change.
2. In accordance with rule 8 (b) of the rules of procedure of the Human Rights Council, as contained in section VII of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, the organizational meeting for the forty-seventh session will be held on 7 June 2021.

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Agenda of the session

3. The agenda of the Human Rights Council is contained in section V of the annex to Council resolution 5/1. The Council will have before it the present annotations relating to items included in the agenda for the forty-seventh session.

Composition of the Human Rights Council

4. The composition of the Human Rights Council at its forty-seventh session is as follows:¹ Argentina (2021); Armenia (2022); Austria (2021); Bahamas (2021); Bahrain (2021); Bangladesh (2021); Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2023); Brazil (2022); Bulgaria (2021); Burkina Faso (2021); Cameroon (2021); China (2023); Côte d'Ivoire (2023); Cuba (2023); Czechia (2021); Denmark (2021); Eritrea (2021); Fiji (2021); France (2023); Gabon (2023); Germany (2022); India (2021); Indonesia (2022); Italy (2021); Japan (2022); Libya (2022); Malawi (2023); Marshall Islands (2022); Mauritania (2022); Mexico (2023); Namibia (2022); Nepal (2023); Netherlands (2022); Pakistan (2023); Philippines (2021); Poland (2022); Republic of Korea (2022); Russian Federation (2023); Senegal (2023); Somalia (2021); Sudan (2022); Togo (2021); Ukraine (2023); United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2023); Uruguay (2021); Uzbekistan (2023); and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2022).

Bureau of the Human Rights Council

5. At its organizational meetings held on 16 December 2020 and on 15 January and 8 February 2021, the Human Rights Council elected the following members of the Bureau for its fifteenth cycle, which will run from 1 January to 31 December 2021:

<i>President</i>	Nazhat Shameem Khan (Fiji)
<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	Keva Lorraine Bain (Bahamas) Ali ibn Abi Talib Abdelrahman Mahmoud (Sudan) Yuri Borissov Sterk (Bulgaria)
<i>Vice-President and Rapporteur</i>	Monique T.G. van Daalen (Netherlands)

Selection and appointment of mandate holders

6. In accordance with paragraph 47 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, paragraph 22 of the annex to Council resolution 16/21 and the requirements set out in Council decision 6/102 and President's statement PRST OS/14/2, the Consultative Group for the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 is composed of Makaila Ahmad (Chad), Ahmad Faisal Muhamad (Malaysia), Joaquín Alexander Maza Martelli (El Salvador) and Tamara Mawhinney (Canada). The member of the Group from Eastern European States is yet to be nominated. The Group will propose to the President of the Council a list of candidates for: (a) the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism; (b) the Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy; (c) the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences; (d) two members of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent (one from Asia-Pacific States and one from Eastern European States); (e) a member of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, from Western European and other States; and (f) the Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights – an unforeseen vacancy that has arisen due to the resignation of the current mandate holder.

7. In accordance with the procedure stipulated in paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, the appointment of special procedure mandate holders will be completed upon subsequent approval by the Council. The mandate holders in question will be appointed before the end of the forty-seventh session.

¹ The term of membership of each State expires in the year indicated in parentheses.

Report on the session

8. At the end of its forty-seventh session, the Human Rights Council will have before it for adoption a draft report containing a technical summary of the proceedings of the session.

2. Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and reports of the Office of the High Commissioner and the Secretary-General

9. All reports of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the Secretary-General are submitted under agenda item 2, which remains an open-ended item throughout the session. The Human Rights Council will consider the reports under the relevant agenda items, as appropriate. The specific timing of their introduction will be reflected in the programme of work. Pursuant to President's statement PRST OS/14/1, issued at the organizational session held on 7 December 2020, no general debates will be held during the Council's June session. Therefore, the reports or oral updates listed below will be considered during the relevant general debates at the forty-eighth session, unless they are mandated to be considered in the context of an interactive dialogue.

Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

10. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 48/141, the Human Rights Council will consider the annual report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/54) in an interactive dialogue.

Promotion and protection of human rights in Nicaragua

11. Pursuant to its resolution 46/2, the Human Rights Council will hear the oral update by the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Nicaragua.

Elimination of discrimination against women

12. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 50/166, the Human Rights Council will have before it the note by the Secretariat on the report of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on the activities of the United Nations trust fund in support of actions to eliminate violence against women (A/HRC/47/20-E/CN.6/2021/6).

13. Reference is made to the report of OHCHR on the annual full-day discussion on the human rights of women held at the forty-fourth session of the Human Rights Council (A/HRC/47/44) (see para. 53 below).

Situation of human rights in Eritrea

14. In its resolution 44/1, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea for a further period of one year and requested the Special Rapporteur to present during an interactive dialogue a report on the implementation of the mandate to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will consider the report of the new mandate holder, Mohamed Abdelsalam Babiker (A/HRC/47/21).

Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran

15. In its resolution 75/191 on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit an interim report on the progress made in the implementation of that resolution, including options and recommendations to improve its implementation, to the Human Rights Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will have before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/HRC/47/22).

The central role of the State in responding to pandemics and other health emergencies, and the socioeconomic consequences thereof in advancing sustainable development and the realization of all human rights

16. In its resolution 44/2, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to conduct a needs assessment, in particular for developing countries, to support their efforts to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms in responding to pandemics and other health emergencies, and the socioeconomic consequences thereof, in advancing sustainable development and the realization of all human rights, and to submit a report thereon to the Council at its forty-seventh session during an interactive dialogue. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/23).

Awareness-raising on the rights of persons with disabilities, and habilitation and rehabilitation

17. Reference is made to the oral report of OHCHR on the implementation of the United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy across its programmes and operations (see para. 55 below).

The right to privacy in the digital age

18. Reference is made to the note by the Secretariat on the report of the High Commissioner on the effects of artificial intelligence on the enjoyment of the right to privacy (A/HRC/47/61) (see para. 46 below).

Human rights and indigenous peoples

19. Reference is made to the report of OHCHR on the panel discussion on the rights of indigenous peoples held during the forty-fifth session of the Human Rights Council (A/HRC/47/42) (see para. 61 below).

Prevention of genocide

20. Reference is made to the note by the Secretariat on the report of the High Commissioner on the one-day intersessional meeting with a dialogue on cooperation in strengthening capacities for the prevention of genocide (A/HRC/47/60) (see para. 63 below).

Human rights in the administration of justice, including juvenile justice

21. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on human rights in the administration of justice, in particular on current and emerging challenges in the protection of persons deprived of their liberty, including judicial oversight (A/HRC/47/45) (see para. 47 below).

Human rights and climate change

22. Reference is made to the analytical study of OHCHR on the promotion and protection of the rights of older persons in the context of climate change, including their particular vulnerabilities, such as physical and mental health risks, and their contributions to efforts to address the adverse impact of climate change (A/HRC/47/46) (see para. 66 below).

Enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights

23. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the implementation and enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights (A/HRC/47/47) (see para. 71 below).

Freedom of opinion and expression

24. Reference is made to the note by the Secretariat on the report of OHCHR on good practices for establishing national normative frameworks that foster access to information held by public entities (A/HRC/47/48) (see para. 41 below).

Conscientious objection to military service

25. Reference is made to the note by the Secretariat on the quadrennial report of OHCHR on conscientious objection to military service (A/HRC/47/41) (see para. 48 below).

Situation of human rights in Myanmar

26. Reference is made to the oral update of the High Commissioner on the overall situation of human rights in Myanmar, with a particular focus on accountability regarding alleged violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law, as well as rule of law and security sector reform since 1 February 2021 (see para. 74 below).

Situation of human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

27. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (A/HRC/47/55) (see para. 77 below).

Operations of the Voluntary Fund for Participation in the Universal Periodic Review and the Voluntary Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance in the Implementation of the Universal Periodic Review

28. Reference is made to the reports of OHCHR on the operations of the Voluntary Fund for Participation in the Universal Periodic Review (A/HRC/47/18) and the Voluntary Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance in the Implementation of the Universal Periodic Review (A/HRC/47/19) (see para. 86 below).

Promotion and protection of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of Africans and of people of African descent against excessive use of force and other human rights violations by law enforcement officers

29. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on systemic racism, violations of international human rights law against Africans and people of African descent by law enforcement agencies, especially those incidents that resulted in the death of George Floyd and other Africans and people of African descent (A/HRC/47/53) (see para. 89 below).

Commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

30. Reference is made to the report of the High Commissioner on the annual high-level panel discussion on human rights mainstreaming held at the forty-sixth session of the Human Rights Council on the theme “The state of play in the fight against racism and discrimination 20 years after the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and the exacerbating effects the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has had on these efforts” (A/HRC/47/59) (see para. 90 below).

Cooperation with Georgia

31. Reference is made to the oral update by the High Commissioner on cooperation with Georgia (see para. 91 below).

Situation of human rights in Ukraine

32. Reference is made to the oral presentation by the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Ukraine (see para. 92 below).

33. Reference is made to the interim report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, Ukraine (A/HRC/47/58) (see para. 93 below).

Enhancement of technical cooperation and capacity-building in the field of human rights

34. Reference is made to the report of OHCHR on the activities of OHCHR, the United Nations system and regional organizations to support States’ efforts to promote and protect the right to education (A/HRC/47/56) (see para. 96 below).

3. Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development

Economic, social and cultural rights

The right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health

35. In its resolution 42/16, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health for a further period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit an annual report to the Council covering all activities relating to the mandate. The Council will have before it the reports of the new mandate holder, Tlaleng Mofokeng (A/HRC/47/28), and the former mandate holder, Dainius Pūras (A/HRC/47/28/Add.1), presented by the new mandate holder.

Extreme poverty and human rights

36. In its resolution 44/13, the Human Rights Council decided to extend, for a period of three years, the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit an annual report on the implementation of that resolution to the Council. The Council will consider the reports of the mandate holder, Olivier De Schutter (A/HRC/47/36 and Add.1).

The right to education

37. In its resolution 44/3, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education for a further period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to submit an annual report to the Council covering all activities relating to the mandate. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Koumbou Boly Barry (A/HRC/47/32).

Adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living

38. In its resolution 43/14, the Human Rights Council decided to extend, for a period of three years, the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context, and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit an annual report on the implementation of the mandate to the Council. The Council will consider the reports of the new mandate holder, Balakrishnan Rajagopal (A/HRC/47/43), and the former mandate holder, Leilani Farha (A/HRC/47/43/Add.1), presented by the new mandate holder.

Civil and political rights

The rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association

39. In its resolution 41/12, the Human Rights Council decided to renew the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association for a period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to report annually to the Council. The Council will consider the reports of the mandate holder, Clément Nyaletsossi Voule (A/HRC/47/24 and Add.1–3).

Freedom of opinion and expression

40. In its resolution 43/4, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression for a further period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit an annual report to the Council covering all activities relating to her mandate. The Council will consider the reports of the new mandate holder, Irene Khan (A/HRC/47/25 and Add.1).

41. In its resolution 44/12, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to prepare a report on good practices for establishing national normative frameworks that foster access to information held by public entities and to submit the report to the Council at its forty-seventh

session. The Council will have before it the note by the Secretariat on the report of OHCHR (A/HRC/47/48) (see para. 24 above).

Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions

42. In its resolution 44/5, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions for three years and requested the Special Rapporteur, in carrying out the mandate, to continue to examine situations of extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions in all circumstances and for whatever reason, and to submit her findings on an annual basis, together with conclusions and recommendations. The Council will have before it the reports of the former mandate holder, Agnès Callamard, presented by the new mandate holder, Morris Tidball-Binz (A/HRC/47/33 and Add.1–2).

Independence of judges and lawyers

43. In its resolution 44/8, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers for a period of three years. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Diego García-Sayán (A/HRC/47/35).

Arbitrary detention

44. In its resolution 42/22, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention for a further period of three years and requested the Working Group to prepare a study on arbitrary detention relating to drug policies to ensure that upholding the prohibition thereon is included as part of an effective criminal justice response to drug-related crimes, in accordance with international law, and that such a response also encompasses legal guarantees and due process safeguards, in accordance with the recommendation on this issue contained in the outcome document adopted by the General Assembly on 19 April 2016 at its special session, and to submit a report thereon to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will consider the report of the Working Group (A/HRC/47/40).

The right to privacy in the digital age

45. In its resolution 37/2, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy for a period of three years. The Council will consider the reports of the mandate holder, Joseph A. Cannataci (A/HRC/46/37 and Add.1–6).

46. In its resolution 42/15, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to prepare a thematic report on how artificial intelligence, including profiling, automated decision-making and machine-learning technologies may, without proper safeguards, affect the enjoyment of the right to privacy and to submit it to the Council at its forty-fifth session. In its decision 45/113, the Council decided to postpone the submission of the report to the forty-seventh session. The Council will have before it the note by the Secretariat on the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/61) (see para. 18 above).

Human rights in the administration of justice, including juvenile justice

47. In its resolution 42/11, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to submit to the Council, at its forty-seventh session, an analytical report on human rights in the administration of justice, in particular on current and emerging challenges in the protection of persons deprived of their liberty, including judicial oversight, drawing on the experience of United Nations and regional human rights mechanisms and seeking the views of States, including on their policies and best practices, civil society, and other relevant stakeholders. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/45) (see para. 21 above).

Conscientious objection to military service

48. In its resolution 20/2, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to prepare a quadrennial analytical report on conscientious objection to military service, in particular on new developments, best practices and remaining challenges. The Council will have before it the note by the Secretariat on the report of OHCHR (A/HRC/47/41) (see para. 25 above).

Rights of peoples, and of specific groups and individuals*Elimination of discrimination against women*

49. In its resolution 6/30, the Human Rights Council decided to incorporate into its programme of work sufficient and adequate time, at minimum an annual full-day meeting, to discuss the human rights of women, including measures that could be adopted by States and other stakeholders to address human rights violations experienced by women. The Council will hold a full-day discussion thereon (see annex).

50. In its resolution 44/16, the Human Rights Council decided to convene a high-level panel discussion on the multisectoral prevention of and response, including the global response, to female genital mutilation at its forty-seventh session, inviting States, civil society organizations, United Nations agencies, women and girls and other relevant stakeholders to share good practices in developing comprehensive, gender-responsive, rights-based and multisectoral coordination, planning, financial and monitoring arrangements to prevent and eliminate female genital mutilation on the basis of the human rights principles of accountability, participation, transparency, empowerment and equality and non-discrimination, and ensuring the sustainability of international, regional and national efforts to end female genital mutilation in the context of global pandemics and economic shocks. The Council will hold a high-level panel discussion thereon (see annex).

51. In its resolution 41/17, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences, for a period of three years. The Council will consider the reports of the mandate holder, Dubravka Šimonović (A/HRC/47/26 and Add.1).

52. In its resolution 41/6, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on discrimination against women and girls for a period of three years and to additionally request the Working Group to take into account, and mainstream across all its work, an age dimension in the fulfilment of its mandate, and to examine the specific forms of discrimination that girls face. The Council will consider the reports of the Working Group (A/HRC/47/38 and Add.1).

53. Pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 44/17, the Council will have before it the report of OHCHR on the annual full-day discussion on women's human rights held at its forty-fourth session (A/HRC/47/44) (see para. 13 above).

54. Reference is made to the report of the Advisory Committee on current levels of representation of women in human rights organs and mechanisms (A/HRC/47/51) (see para. 81 below).

Awareness-raising on the rights of persons with disabilities, and habilitation and rehabilitation

55. In its resolution 43/23, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to present an oral report to the Council on the implementation of the United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy across its programmes and operations at its forty-seventh session. The Council will hear the oral report of OHCHR (see para. 17 above).

Protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity

56. In its resolution 41/18, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity for a period of three years and requested the Independent Expert to continue to report annually on the implementation of the mandate to the Council.

The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Victor Madrigal-Borloz (A/HRC/47/27).

Elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members

57. In its resolution 44/6, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members for a period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to report annually to the Council. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Alice Cruz (A/HRC/47/29).

Human rights of migrants

58. In its resolution 43/6, the Human Rights Council decided to extend for a period of three years, effective from the end of its forty-fourth session, the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, whose functions include reporting regularly to the Council. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Felipe González Morales (A/HRC/47/30).

Trafficking in persons, especially women and children

59. In its resolution 44/4, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children, for a period of three years. The Council will consider the report of the new mandate holder, Siobhán Mullally (A/HRC/47/34).

Human rights of internally displaced persons

60. In its resolution 41/15, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons for a period of three years and requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to submit an annual report on the implementation of the mandate to the Council, making suggestions and recommendations regarding the human rights of internally displaced persons, including on the impact of measures taken at the inter-agency level. The Council will consider the reports of the mandate holder, Cecilia Jimenez-Damary (A/HRC/47/37 and Add.1).

Human rights and indigenous peoples

61. Pursuant to its resolution 18/8, the Human Rights Council held its annual half-day panel discussion on the rights of indigenous peoples, on 23 September 2020. Pursuant to Council resolutions 39/13 and 42/19, the discussion was focused on the protection of indigenous human rights defenders. The Council will have before it the report of OHCHR on the panel discussion on the rights of indigenous peoples held during the forty-fifth session of the Council (A/HRC/47/42) (see para. 19 above).

Interrelation of human rights and human rights thematic issues

Prevention of genocide

62. Pursuant to its resolution 43/29, the Human Rights Council will hold an interactive dialogue with the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide, Alice Wairimu Nderitu, on the progress made in discharging her duties.

63. Pursuant to the same resolution, the Human Rights Council will have before it the note by the Secretariat on the report of the High Commissioner on the one-day intersessional meeting with a dialogue on cooperation in strengthening capacities for the prevention of genocide held on 10 February 2021 (A/HRC/47/60) (see para. 20 above).

Promoting human rights through sport and the Olympic ideal

64. In its resolution 37/18, the Human Rights Council decided to incorporate into its programme of work a thematic panel discussion with regard to promoting human rights through sport and the Olympic ideal, to be held once every four years at the session of the

Council preceding the Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. Pursuant to its resolution 43/18, the Council will convene a panel discussion on the theme “The potential of leveraging sport and the Olympic ideal for promoting human rights for young people” (see annex).

Human rights and climate change

65. In its resolution 44/7, the Human Rights Council decided to incorporate into its programme of work for the forty-seventh session, on the basis of the different elements contained in that resolution, a panel discussion focusing on the adverse impact of climate change on the full and effective enjoyment of human rights by older persons and best practices and lessons learned in the promotion and protection of the rights of older persons (see annex).

66. Pursuant to the same resolution, the Human Rights Council will consider the report of OHCHR on the analytical study on the promotion and protection of the rights of older persons in the context of climate change, including their particular vulnerabilities, such as physical and mental health risks, and their contributions to efforts to address the adverse impact of climate change (A/HRC/47/46) (see para. 22 above).

Business and human rights

67. In its resolution 44/15, the Human Rights Council decided, in the context of the tenth anniversary of the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in 2021, to hold a panel discussion during the forty-seventh session of the Council with the participation of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises and with the objective of taking stock of progress made over the first 10 years since the endorsement of the Guiding Principles and discussing possible further steps to improve their future implementation by all stakeholders. The Council will convene a panel discussion thereon (see annex).

68. In the same resolution, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises for a period of three years. The Council will consider the reports of the Working Group (A/HRC/47/39 and Add.1–4).

69. Reference is made to the report of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises on the ninth session of the Forum on Business and Human Rights (A/HRC/47/50) (see para. 80 below).

Human rights and international solidarity

70. In its resolution 44/11, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity for a period of three years and requested the Independent Expert to report regularly to the Council. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Obiora Chinedu Okafor (A/HRC/47/31).

Enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights

71. In its resolution 44/18, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to prepare a new report on the work of OHCHR in the implementation and enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights, proposing also possible ways to face the challenges to the promotion and protection of human rights, including the right to development, and to submit the report to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will have before it the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/47) (see para. 23 above).

New and emerging digital technologies and human rights

72. Reference is made to the report of the Advisory Committee on the possible impacts, opportunities and challenges of new and emerging digital technologies with regard to the promotion and protection of human rights (A/HRC/47/52) (see para. 82 below).

4. Human rights situations that require the Council's attention

Situation of human rights in Myanmar

73. In its resolution 46/21, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar for a further period of one year, requested the Special Rapporteur to present an oral progress report to the Council at its forty-seventh session, to be followed by an interactive dialogue, and invited the Special Rapporteur to continue to monitor the situation of human rights and to measure progress in the implementation of recommendations. In the same resolution, the Council requested the Special Rapporteur to assess the situation of human rights since 1 February 2021 and to monitor the implementation of that resolution, including by seeking an urgent visit to Myanmar, and to provide an oral update in his interactive dialogue with the Council at its forty-seventh session, and to make recommendations on additional steps necessary to address the crisis. The Council will consider the oral progress report and the oral update of the mandate holder, Thomas Andrews.

74. Also in the same resolution, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to monitor and assess the overall situation of human rights in Myanmar, with a particular focus on accountability regarding alleged violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law, as well as rule of law and security sector reform since 1 February 2021, with the support of specialist experts and in complementarity to the work of the Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar and the reports of the Special Rapporteur, including in monitoring the implementation of the recommendations made by the independent international fact-finding mission in its reports and conference room papers, and recommendations contained in the reports of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights of Rohingya Muslims and other minorities in Myanmar, and to provide to the Council an oral update at its forty-seventh session, to be followed by an interactive dialogue. The Council will hear the oral update by the High Commissioner (see para. 26 above).

Situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic

75. In its resolution 46/22, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic for a period of one year and requested the Commission to provide an oral update to the Council during the interactive dialogue at its forty-seventh session. The Council will consider the oral update of the Commission.

Situation of human rights in Belarus

76. In its resolution 44/19, the Human Rights Council decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Belarus for a period of one year and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit a report to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will consider the report of the mandate holder, Anaïs Marin (A/HRC/47/49).

Situation of human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

77. In its resolution 45/20, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to prepare a comprehensive written report on the situation of human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela containing a detailed assessment of the implementation of the recommendations made in her previous reports and to present it to the Council at its forty-seventh session, to be followed by an interactive dialogue. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/55) (see para. 27 above).

5. Human rights bodies and mechanisms

78. Pursuant to President's statement PRST OS/14/1, issued at the organizational session held on 7 December 2020, no general debates will be held during the Council's June session. Therefore, the reports listed below will be considered during the relevant general debates to be held during the forty-eighth session.

Special procedures

79. The Human Rights Council will have before it the communications report of the special procedures (A/HRC/47/3).

Forum on Business and Human Rights

80. Pursuant to its resolutions 17/4 and 44/15, the Human Rights Council will have before it the report of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises on the ninth session of the Forum on Business and Human Rights, held from 16 to 18 November 2020 (A/HRC/47/50) (see para. 69 above).

Elimination of all forms of discrimination against women and girls

81. In its resolution 41/6, the Human Rights Council requested the Advisory Committee to prepare a report on current levels of representation of women in human rights organs and mechanisms such as the Advisory Committee, the treaty bodies and the special procedures established by the Council; the report, to be presented to the Council at its forty-seventh session, was to include good practices by States in nominating, electing and appointing candidates to ensure balanced gender representation, in line with the system-wide strategy on gender parity, and recommendations to assist the Council and Member States in this regard. The Council will have before it the report of the Advisory Committee (A/HRC/47/51) (see para. 54 above).

New and emerging digital technologies and human rights

82. In its resolution 41/11, the Human Rights Council requested the Advisory Committee to prepare a report on the possible impacts, opportunities and challenges of new and emerging digital technologies with regard to the promotion and protection of human rights, including mapping of relevant existing initiatives by the United Nations and recommendations on how human rights opportunities, challenges and gaps arising from new and emerging digital technologies could be addressed by the Council and its special procedures and subsidiary bodies in a holistic, inclusive and pragmatic manner, and to present the report to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will have before it the report of the Advisory Committee (A/HRC/47/52) (see para. 72 above).

6. Universal periodic review

83. In its resolution 5/1, the Human Rights Council established the universal periodic review mechanism as contained in section I of the annex to that resolution. The Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review held its thirty-seventh session from 18 to 29 January 2021. At its forty-seventh session, the Council will consider and adopt the final outcomes of the review of the Federated States of Micronesia (A/HRC/47/4), Lebanon (A/HRC/47/5), Mauritania (A/HRC/47/6), Saint Kitts and Nevis (A/HRC/47/7), Australia (A/HRC/47/8), Saint Lucia (A/HRC/47/9), Nepal (A/HRC/47/10), Oman (A/HRC/47/11), Austria (A/HRC/47/12), Myanmar (A/HRC/47/13), Rwanda (A/HRC/47/14), Georgia (A/HRC/47/15), Sao Tome and Principe (A/HRC/47/16) and Nauru (A/HRC/47/17).

84. Pursuant to President's statement PRST 9/2 on modalities and practices for the universal periodic review process, the outcomes of the review are adopted by the Human Rights Council at its plenary session by a standardized decision. The outcomes comprise the reports of the Working Group, the views of the State under review concerning the recommendations and/or conclusions, and the voluntary commitments made and replies presented by the State under review, before the adoption of the outcome by the Council in plenary, to questions or issues that were not sufficiently addressed during the interactive dialogue in the Working Group.

85. Pursuant to President's statement PRST OS/14/1, issued at the organizational session held on 7 December 2020, no general debates will be held during the Council's June session. Therefore, the reports listed below will be considered during the relevant general debate to be held at the forty-eighth session.

Operations of the Voluntary Fund for Participation in the Universal Periodic Review and the Voluntary Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance in the Implementation of the Universal Periodic Review

86. In its decision 17/119, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to provide an annual written update to the Council on the operations of the Voluntary Fund for Participation in the Universal Periodic Review and the Voluntary Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance in the Implementation of the Universal Periodic Review and the resources available thereto. The Council will have before it the reports of OHCHR (A/HRC/47/18 and A/HRC/47/19) (see para. 28 above).

7. Human rights situation in Palestine and other occupied Arab territories

Situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

87. Pursuant to resolution 1993/2 A of the Commission on Human Rights and resolution 5/1 of the Human Rights Council, the Council will consider the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967, Michael Lynk (A/HRC/47/57).

8. Follow-up to and implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

88. No reports have been submitted under agenda item 8.

9. Racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related forms of intolerance, follow-up to and implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Promotion and protection of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of Africans and of people of African descent against excessive use of force and other human rights violations by law enforcement officers

89. In its resolution 43/1, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to prepare a report on systemic racism, violations of international human rights law against Africans and people of African descent by law enforcement agencies, especially those incidents that resulted in the death of George Floyd and other Africans and people of African descent, to contribute to accountability and redress for victims, and to present a comprehensive report to the Council at its forty-seventh session, to be followed by an interactive dialogue. The Council will consider the report of the High Commissioner (A/HRC/47/53) (see para. 29 above).

Commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

90. In its resolution 45/23, the Human Rights Council decided to convene, at its forty-sixth session, a high-level panel discussion during the high-level segment to mark the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, with a particular focus on its implementation, and on achievements, best practices and challenges in that regard. At its organizational session, held on 7 December 2020, the Council decided that the theme of the 2021 high-level panel discussion on human rights mainstreaming would be “The state of play in the fight against racism and discrimination 20 years after the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and the exacerbating effects the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has had on these efforts”. Thus, the high-level panel discussion on human rights mainstreaming replaced the high-level panel discussion mandated by Council resolution 45/23. The Council will have before it the report of the High Commissioner on the high-level panel discussion held at its forty-sixth session (A/HRC/47/59) (see para. 30 above).

10. Technical assistance and capacity-building*Cooperation with Georgia*

91. In its resolution 46/30, the Human Rights Council requested the High Commissioner to present to the Council, in accordance with its resolution 5/1, an oral update on the follow-up to that resolution at its forty-seventh session. The Council will hear the oral update by the High Commissioner (see para. 31 above).

Cooperation with and assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights

92. Pursuant to its resolution 41/25, the Human Rights Council will hold an interactive dialogue at which the High Commissioner will present orally to the States members of the Council and observers the findings of the periodic report of OHCHR on the situation of human rights in Ukraine (see para. 32 above).

93. In its resolution 75/192 on the situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, Ukraine, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit for consideration an interim report to the Human Rights Council at its forty-seventh session on the progress made in the implementation of that resolution, including options and recommendations to improve its implementation, to be followed by an interactive dialogue. The Council will consider the report of the Secretary-General (A/HRC/47/58) (see para. 33 above).

Technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights in the Central African Republic

94. In its resolution 45/35, the Human Rights Council decided to renew, for one year, the mandate of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Central African Republic and requested the Independent Expert to provide an oral update on his report on technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights in the Central African Republic to the Council at its forty-seventh session. The Council will hear the oral update by the mandate holder, Yao Agbetse.

Enhancement of technical cooperation and capacity-building in the field of human rights

95. In its resolution 45/32, the Human Rights Council decided, in accordance with its resolution 18/18, that the theme of the annual thematic panel discussion under agenda item 10, to be held during its forty-seventh session, would be “Technical cooperation to advance the right to education and ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning for all” (see annex).

96. In the same resolution, the Human Rights Council requested OHCHR to prepare a report, to be submitted to the Council at its forty-seventh session, to serve as a basis for the panel discussion, on the activities and plans of OHCHR and relevant United Nations country teams and agencies and regional organizations to support States’ efforts to promote and protect the right to education, including those aimed at alleviating the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the enjoyment of the right to education, ensuring the continuity of education for all, and addressing educational inequalities, with particular attention given to girls and to children in the most vulnerable and disadvantaged situations (A/HRC/47/56) (see para. 34 above).

Annex

Panel and other discussions to be held during the forty-seventh session of the Human Rights Council

<i>Resolution/decision</i>	<i>Panel/discussion</i>
Human Rights Council resolutions 37/18 and 43/18	Quadrennial panel discussion on promoting human rights through sport and the Olympic ideal on the theme “The potential of leveraging sport and the Olympic ideal for promoting human rights for young people” (accessible to persons with disabilities)
Human Rights Council resolution 44/7	Panel discussion on the adverse impact of climate change on the full and effective enjoyment of human rights by older persons (accessible to persons with disabilities)
Human Rights Council resolution 44/15	Panel discussion on the tenth anniversary of the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
Human Rights Council resolution 44/16	High-level panel discussion on the multisectoral prevention of and response, including the global response, to female genital mutilation
Human Rights Council resolution 6/30	Annual full-day discussion on the human rights of women
Human Rights Council resolutions 18/18 and 45/32	Annual thematic panel discussion on technical cooperation and capacity-building on the theme “Technical cooperation to advance the right to education and ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning for all”