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New and emerging digital technologies and human rights

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25/...New and emerging digital technologies and human rights

The Human Rights Council Advisory Committee,

Recalling Human Rights Council resolution 41/11 of 11 July 2019, in which the 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,

Recalling also that the Council, in its resolution 41/11, also requested the Advisory Committee, when preparing the above-mentioned report, to seek input from and to take into account the relevant work already done by stakeholders, including Member States, international and regional organizations, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the special procedures of the Council, the treaty bodies, other relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes within their respective mandates, the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on Digital Cooperation, national human rights institutions, civil society, the private sector, the technical community and academic institutions,

Recalling that, at its twenty-third session, the Advisory Committee established a drafting group, currently composed of Buhm-Suk Baek; Milena Costas Trascasas; Iurii Alexandrovich Kolesnikov; José Augusto Lindgren Alves; Xinsheng Liu; Ajai Malhotra; Mona Omar; Javier Palummo; Elizabeth Salmón (Chair); Dheerujlall Seetulsingh and Catherine Van de Heyning,



1. *Takes note* of the draft report on new and emerging digital technologies and human rights submitted by the drafting group to the Advisory Committee at its present session;¹
2. *Decides* to appoint Buhm-Suk Baek as Rapporteur to replace Changrok Soh, former member of the Committee, who was the Rapporteur leading the drafting of the report on this topic until the end of his term on 30 September 2020;
3. *Notes* that the drafting group and the full Committee held meetings to discuss the topic and the different views expressed thereon by Member States and other stakeholders in those meetings;
4. *Requests* the drafting group to finalize its report to the Human Rights Council in the light of the discussion held by the Advisory Committee at its current session, after circulating it to all members of the Advisory Committee for approval electronically, and to submit it to the Council at its forty-seventh session.

¹ A/HRC/AC/25/CRP.2.