



Human Rights Council**Forty-fourth session**

30 June–17 July 2020

Agenda item 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****Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council
on 16 July 2020****44/1. Situation of human rights in Eritrea***The Human Rights Council,*

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights and other relevant international human rights instruments,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/251 of 15 March 2006, Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1 and 5/2, both of 18 June 2007, resolution 91 and decisions 250/2002, 275/2003 and 428/12 of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and all previous Council resolutions on the situation of human rights in Eritrea,

Recalling also the important regional developments in recent years and the potential they bear for the development of human rights in Eritrea,

Welcoming the commitment of the Government of Eritrea to the Sustainable Development Goals, and its participation in the third cycle of the universal periodic review on 28 January 2019¹ and in the human rights dialogue with the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on 14 February 2020,²

Welcoming also the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea³ and her conclusions,

1. *Requests* the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to present an oral update to the Human Rights Council at its forty-sixth session on progress made in the cooperation between Eritrea and the Office of the High Commissioner, and its impact on the situation of human rights in Eritrea;

2. *Decides* to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea for a further period of one year, and to continue to assess and report on the situation of human rights in follow-up to the report of the Special Rapporteur, and requests the Special Rapporteur to present an oral update to the Human Rights Council at its

¹ A/HRC/41/14.

² See CEDAW/C/ERI/CO/6.

³ A/HRC/44/23.



forty-sixth session during an interactive dialogue, and to present during an interactive dialogue a report on the implementation of the mandate to the Council at its forty-seventh session and to the General Assembly at its seventy-fifth session;

3. *Calls upon* the Government of Eritrea to cooperate fully with the Special Rapporteur, including by granting the mandate holder access to the country and committing to making progress on the proposed benchmarks;⁴

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with all the information and resources necessary to fulfil the mandate;

5. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.

27th meeting

16 July 2020

[Adopted by a recorded vote of 24 to 10, with 13 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Afghanistan, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Czechia, Denmark, Fiji, Germany, Italy, Japan, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine and Uruguay

Against:

Bahrain, Cameroon, Eritrea, India, Libya, Pakistan, Philippines, Somalia, Sudan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Abstaining:

Angola, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Indonesia, Mauritania, Namibia, Nepal, Nigeria, Qatar, Senegal and Togo]

⁴ A/HRC/41/53, paras. 75–81.