



43RD SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

GENERAL DEBATE ITEM 5 - HUMAN RIGHTS BODIES AND MECHANISMS

Monday 15 June 2020

Main topics addressed by States and Civil Society Organizations during the General Debate:

Mandate holders should respect the code of conduct and work in a transparent, impartial and non-politicized way: Philippines*, Pakistan*, Azerbaijan*, Cuba*, Palestine*, Brazil*, Venezuela*, Indonesia*, Mauritania*, Iran, Syria, Algeria, China, Bolivia, Cambodia, Belarus

Condemnation of reprisals by states against civil society and individuals interacting with the UN human rights mechanisms: Netherlands*, Belgium*, Luxembourg*, Croatia*(on behalf of the EU), Germany*, Ireland, International Service for Human Rights**, CIVICUS**

In favour of strengthening the Human Rights Council's prevention mandate: Switzerland* (on behalf of Norway, Sierra Leone, and Uruguay), Pakistan*, Netherlands*, Armenia*, Botswana, Sierra Leone, Lebanon, Georgia, CIVICUS**

Capacity building and technical cooperation: Switzerland* (on behalf of Norway, Sierra Leone* and Uruguay), India*

Geographical balance among the OHCHR staff and the mandate holders: Azerbaijan*, Cuba*, India*, Nepal*, Iran, Syria

Commends the Special Procedures' response during the Covid-19 pandemic: Uruguay*, Tunisia, Azerbaijan*, Iraq

Praise the UPR mechanism: Nepal*, Germany*, Lebanon, Bolivia

In favour of a Human Rights Council early warning mechanism: Pakistan*, Netherlands*, Armenia*

Success of the Social Forum 2019: Cuba*, Ecuador, Maat for Peace Development and Human Rights Association**

Funding shortage of OHCHR and UN liquidity crisis: Croatia*(on behalf of the EU), Indonesia*

Success of the Forum on Minority Issues 2019: Austria*, Ecuador

Commends the work of the Advisory Committee: Nepal*, Tunisia

Avoid duplication of efforts: Armenia*, Botswana

Working Methods: Japan*(enhance communications between Geneva and New York)

Resource distribution between mandate holders: Venezuela*

Praise the role of National Mechanisms for Implementation, Reporting and Follow-up: Portugal*

*Member states of the Human Rights Council

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