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**Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

### Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent

#### Note by the Secretariat\*\*

1. In paragraph 5 of its resolution [45/24](#), the Human Rights Council requested the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent to submit an annual report to the Council on all activities relating to its mandate, and to the General Assembly in the context of the International Decade for People of African Descent. In paragraph 17 of its resolution [77/205](#), the Assembly invited the Council, through the Chair of the Working Group, to continue to submit a report on the work of the Working Group to the Assembly and in that regard invited the Chair to engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly under the item entitled “Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance” at its seventy-eighth session.

2. In accordance with the practice established to avoid duplication, in 2023 the Working Group has submitted a consolidated annual report to both the General Assembly and the Human Rights Council. The Secretariat therefore has the honour to draw the attention of the Assembly to document [A/HRC/54/67](#) and the addenda thereto and to document [A/HRC/54/71](#).

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