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## Human Rights Council

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Agenda item 1

### Organizational and procedural matters

**Egypt,\* Indonesia, Nigeria,\* Philippines and Senegal: draft decision**

## **47/... Strengthening documentation within the Human Rights Council**

At its ... meeting, on ... July 2021, the Human Rights Council decided to adopt the text below:

*“The Human Rights Council,*

*Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 60/251 of 15 March 2006 and Human Rights Council resolution 5/1 of 18 June 2007 on institution-building of the Council,

*Recognizing* that the work of the Human Rights Council shall be guided by the principles of universality, impartiality, objectivity and non-selectivity, constructive international dialogue and cooperation, with a view to enhancing the promotion and protection of all human rights,

*Reaffirming* that the Human Rights Council shall be responsible for promoting universal respect for the protection of all human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction of any kind and in a fair and equal manner,

*Stressing* the importance of an open, transparent and all-inclusive United Nations,

*Recalling* the added value of live webcasting and the subsequent archiving of formal meetings held in the framework of the sessions of the Human Rights Council, while noting with regret the lack of formal verbatim or summary records for Council meetings, in particular with regard to action on proposals, and recognizing the need to reflect appropriately explanations of position in its official records,

1. *Decides* that any explanation of position requested by a State member of the Human Rights Council regarding a proposal, or any part thereof, shall be formally provided to the secretariat, through modalities established by the latter, and shall be referred to in a brief hyperlink endnote in the adopted text, with the possibility of referencing more than one request in a single endnote;

2. *Also decides* that any explanation of position requested by a State not a member of the Human Rights Council regarding a proposal, or any part thereof, and formally provided to the secretariat shall also be included in official records, and be referenced by a brief hyperlink footnote in the report of the Council on its session;

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\* State not a member of the Human Rights Council.



3. *Requests* the secretariat, if a factual inaccuracy is found in the report by the State concerned, to issue a technical correction.”
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