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Insert the following, to be added as operative paragraphs:

Affirms that it is vitally important for the promotion and protection of the freedom of opinion and expression that all States declare illegal and prohibit organized and all other propaganda activities which promote and incite racial discrimination, ensuring that these activities are declared offences punishable by law;

Regrets the high and increasing level of ownership and control of the mass media by a few individuals and small groups of private interests at the global level and in certain countries, and in this regard recognizes that the persistence and aggravation of this phenomenon creates a serious challenge to the full enjoyment of freedom of opinion and expression by everyone;
