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Portugal* (on behalf of the European Union): draft resolution

6/... Situation of human rights in Myanmar

The Human Rights Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 61/232 of 22 December 2006 and Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/10 of 14 April 2005,

Deeply concerned at the situation of human rights in Myanmar,

Recalling that everyone has the right to take part in the government of their country, directly or through freely chosen representatives, the right to freedom of opinion and expression and the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association,

1. Strongly condemns the continued violent repression of peaceful demonstrations in Myanmar, including through beatings, killings and arbitrary detentions and urges the Government of Myanmar to exercise utmost restraint and to desist from further violence against peaceful protesters;

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- 2. *Urges* the Government of Myanmar to ensure full respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, to end impunity and to investigate and bring to justice perpetrators of human rights violations, including for the recent violations of the rights of peaceful protesters;
- 3. Also urges the Government of Myanmar to release without delay those arrested and detained as a result of the recent repression of peaceful protests, as well as to release all political detainees in Myanmar, including Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, and to ensure that conditions of detention meet international standards and include the possibility of visiting any detainee;
- 4. *Further urges* the Government of Myanmar to lift all restraints on peaceful political activity of all persons by, inter alia, guaranteeing freedom of peaceful assembly and association and freedom of opinion and expression, including for free and independent media, and to ensure unhindered access to information for the people of Myanmar;
- 5. *Urges* the Government of Myanmar to engage urgently in a national dialogue with all parties with a view to achieving genuine national reconciliation, democratization and the establishment of the rule of law;
- 6. Requests the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar to monitor the implementation of this resolution, including by seeking an urgent visit to Myanmar, and to report to the resumed sixth session of the Human Rights Council, and in this respect urges the Government of Myanmar to cooperate with the Special Rapporteur;
- 7. *Also requests* the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar to inform the General Assembly at its sixty-second session on progress in this regard;
 - 8. *Decides* to remain seized of this matter.
