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**RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, XENOPHOBIA AND RELATED FORMS OF
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DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION**

**Progress report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for
Human Rights on the implementation of relevant recommendations of the
Intergovernmental Working Group on the effective implementation of
the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

Note by the Secretariat

The Human Rights Council, in its decision 2/102 of 6 October 2006, requested the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner for Human Rights to “continue with the fulfilment of their activities, in accordance with all previous decisions adopted by the Commission on Human Rights and to update the relevant reports and studies”. The Intergovernmental Working Group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action held the first part of its fifth session in Geneva from 5 to 9 March 2007, and the second part from 3 to 7 September 2007. The report of the Working Group on its fifth session contains the recommendations to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.¹ The progress report of the Office of the High Commissioner on the implementation of these recommendations will be submitted to the ninth session of the Human Rights Council in September 2008, taking into account the reporting cycle of one year following the conclusion of each session of the Working Group.

¹ A/HRC/6/10, paragraphs 103-105.