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**China, Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement),
Russian Federation: draft resolution**

11/... Enhancement of the system of special procedures

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action and all other relevant international human rights instruments,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 60/251 establishing the Human Rights Council,

Recalling its resolutions 5/1 and 5/2 of 18 June 2007 and the annexes thereto on the institution-building of the Council, General Assembly resolution 62/219 of 22 December 2007 and President's statement 8/2 of 18 June 2008,

Expressing its appreciation for the valuable contribution of all special procedures to the promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development, and the need for all mandate holders to act in an objective, independent, non-selective, impartial and non-politicized manner,

1. *Reaffirms* that the Code of Conduct for special procedures mandate holders is aimed at strengthening the capacity of mandate holders to exercise their functions while enhancing their moral authority and credibility, and that it requires supportive action by all stakeholders;

2. *Recalls* that it is incumbent on special procedures mandate holders to exercise their functions in full respect for and strict observance of their mandates, as outlined in the relevant Council resolutions establishing such mandates, without challenging or questioning them, as well as to comply fully with the provisions of the Code of Conduct, and that it is incumbent on the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to further assist special procedures in that regard;

3. *Decides* to remain seized of this matter.
