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## Decision adopted by the Human Rights Council\*

## 18/117 Reporting by the Secretary-General on the question of the death penalty

At its 34th meeting, on 28 September 2011, the Human Rights Council decided to adopt the following text:

"The Human Rights Council,

*Recalling* article 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, article 6 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and articles 6 and 37 (a) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child,

*Taking note* of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/59 of 20 April 2005 and Human Rights Council decision 2/102 of 6 October 2006,

*Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to submit to the Human Rights Council, in consultation with Governments, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, a yearly supplement to his quinquennial report on capital punishment and the implementation of the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty, paying special attention to the imposition of the death penalty on persons younger than 18 years of age at the time of the offence, on pregnant women and on persons with mental or intellectual disabilities."

[Adopted without a vote.]

<sup>\*</sup> The resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council will be contained in the report of the Council on its eighteenth session (A/HRC/18/2), chap. I.

