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# **Report of the Human Rights Council**

### **Report of the Third Committee**

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## I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2012, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled "Report of the Human Rights Council" and to allocate it to both the plenary and the Third Committee, in accordance with its resolution 65/281 and its decision 65/503 A.

2. The Third Committee considered the item at its 37th, 39th, 41st and 42nd meetings, on 14, 16 and 20 November 2012. An account of the Committee's discussion is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/67/SR.37, 39, 41 and 42).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Human Rights Council on its nineteenth, twentieth and nineteenth special sessions (A/67/53 and Corr.1) and on its twenty-first session (A/67/53/Add.1).

4. At the 37th meeting, on 14 November, the President of the Human Rights Council made a statement and engaged in a dialogue with the representatives of Switzerland, the United States of America, the European Union, Liechtenstein, China, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Japan, Algeria, South Africa and Mexico (see A/C.3/67/SR.37).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.3/67/L.59

5. At the 39th meeting, on 16 November, the representative of Cape Verde, on behalf of the Group of African States, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Human Rights Council" (A/C.3/67/L.59).





6. At the 41st meeting, on 20 November, the representative of Cape Verde orally corrected the draft resolution (see A/C.3/67/SR.41).

7. At its 42nd meeting, on 20 November, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/67/L.59, as orally corrected (see para. 9).

8. After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Cyprus (on behalf of the European Union), Belarus, the United States of America, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Switzerland (also on behalf of Iceland, Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Norway), Costa Rica, Sri Lanka and Canada (see A/C.3/67/SR.42).

### **III.** Recommendation of the Third Committee

9. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

*Recalling* its resolutions 60/251 of 15 March 2006, by which it established the Human Rights Council, and 65/281 of 17 June 2011, by which it reviewed the Council,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 62/219 of 22 December 2007, 63/160 of 18 December 2008, 64/143 of 18 December 2009, 65/195 of 21 December 2010 and 66/136 of 19 December 2011,

*Having considered* the recommendations contained in the report of the Human Rights Council,<sup>1</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Human Rights Council, including the addendum thereto, and its recommendations.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 53 and corrigendum (A/67/53 and Corr.1) and Supplement No. 53A (A/67/53/Add.1).