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### Inter-Committee Meeting of the human rights treaty bodies Twelfth meeting Geneva, 27-29 June 2011

## Provisional agenda and annotations

### Note by the Secretary-General\*\*

1. The twelfth Inter-Committee Meeting of the human rights treaty bodies will be held from 27 to 29 June 2011, pursuant to a recommendation of the chairpersons of the human rights treaty bodies made during their twenty-second meeting, held on 1 and 2 July 2010.
2. The present document contains the provisional agenda and annotations for the twelfth inter-committee meeting.

## Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and update on the implementation of the recommendations of the eleventh Inter-Committee Meeting.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Organizational matters.
5. Enhancing the effectiveness of the treaty bodies: a coordinated approach to the work of the treaty bodies:
  - (a) The structure of the constructive dialogue with States parties; the structure and length of concluding observations; and interaction with stakeholders, in particular national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations.
  - (b) Harmonization of working methods

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\*\* Late submission.

6. Joint meeting of the eighteenth meeting of special rapporteurs/representatives, experts and chairpersons of working groups of the special procedures with chairpersons and members of treaty bodies
7. Adoption of the report.

## Annotations

### 1. **Opening of the meeting and update on the implementation of the recommendations of the eleventh Inter-Committee Meeting**

The meeting will convene at the United Nations Office at Geneva (Palais Wilson) on Monday, 27 June 2011, at 10 a.m.

### 2. **Election of officers**

The meeting will elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson.

### 3. **Adoption of the agenda**

The meeting will adopt its agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda contained in the present document. The meeting will receive an update on the implementation of the recommendations of the eleventh Inter-Committee Meeting, after the adoption of the provisional agenda.

### 4. **Organizational matters**

Under this agenda item, the meeting will consider and adopt a programme of work.

### 5. **Enhancing the effectiveness of the treaty bodies: a coordinated approach to the work of the treaty bodies:**

#### (a) **The structure of the constructive dialogue with States parties; the structure and length of concluding observations; and interaction with stakeholders, in particular national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations.**

Under this agenda item, the participants will discuss the structure of the constructive dialogue with States parties; the structure and length of concluding observations; and interaction with stakeholders, in particular national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations. The meeting will have before it a background note (HRI/ICM/2011/2) prepared by the Secretariat on the current practices of all the treaty bodies, as well as some suggestions for possible areas of harmonization. .

#### (b) **Harmonization of working methods**

Under this agenda item, the participants will discuss the working methods of treaty bodies, including coordination and possibilities for harmonization, in particular the report of the Inter-Committee Meeting working group on follow-up to concluding observations, decisions on individual complaints, and inquiries (HRI/ICM/2011/3-HRI/MC/2011/2). The meeting will also have before it the updated version of the report on the working methods of the human rights treaty bodies (HRI/ICM/2011/4).

### 6. **Joint meeting of the eighteenth meeting of special rapporteurs/representatives, experts and chairpersons of working groups of the special procedures with chairpersons and members of treaty bodies**

Inter-Committee Meeting participants will meet in private with the special rapporteurs/representatives, experts and chairpersons of working groups, who have

convened for their eighteenth meeting. The topic of discussion will be good practices of cooperation between treaty bodies and special procedures mandate holders.

**7. Adoption of the report**

Participants will adopt a report on their meeting, including conclusions and recommendations which will be transmitted to the twenty-third meeting of chairpersons of human rights treaty bodies, to be held in Geneva on 30 June and 1 July 2011.

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