

Statements Analysis

SWITZERLAND

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States under Review: Bahrain, Ecuador, Tunisia, Morocco, Indonesia, Finland, the United Kingdom, India, Brazil, the Philippines, Algeria, Poland, the Netherlands, South Africa, the Czech Republic, and Argentina.

I. PARTICIPATION: 8/16

During the first session of the UPR, Switzerland took the floor on 8 States under review (out of 16): Bahrain, Morocco, the United Kingdom, India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, South Africa and Argentina.

II. STATEMENTS CLASSIFICATION

○ **By States individually**

Supporting or Neutral Statements: (7/8) – 87.5%

Switzerland made 7 supporting or neutral statements (out of the 8 statements made) for the reviews on Bahrain, Morocco, the United Kingdom, India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, and Argentina.

Critical Statements: (1/8) – 12.5%

Switzerland made 1 critical statement (out of the 8 statements made) for the reviews on South Africa.

○ **By regional group**

Switzerland belongs to the Western European and Others Group (WEOG).

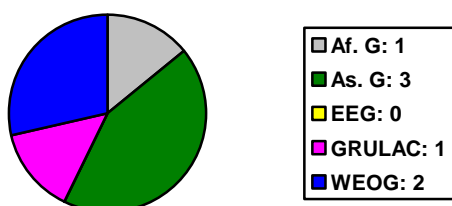
The following table indicates the partition of supporting or neutral statements, and critical statements within regional groups:

Regional Group	African Group (2) ¹	Asian Group (3)	EEG (0)	GRULAC (1)	WEOG (2)
Statements					
Supporting or neutral statements	1/2: 50%	3/3: 100%		1/1: 100%	2/2: 100%
Critical Statements	1/2: 50%	0/3		0/1	0/2
Total	100%	100%		100%	100%

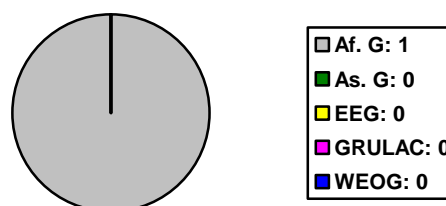
Read as follows: 50% of all the statements made by Switzerland on States from the African Group were supporting or neutral.

The following graphics indicate an alternative way to read the data. They show the partition of supporting or neutral statements, and critical statements sorted by regional group:

Supporting or neutral statements sorted by regional group



Critical statements sorted by regional group



	Supporting Statements (7)	Critical Statements (1)
African Group	1/7: 14.3%	1/1: 100%
Asian Group	3/7: 42.9%	0/1
EEG	0/7	0/1
GRULAC	1/7: 14.3%	0/1
WEOG	2/7: 28.6%	0/1
Total	100%	100%

Read as follows: 14.3% of all the supporting or neutral statements made by Switzerland were on States from the African Group.

III. STATEMENTS DETAILS

o By States individually

The following section indicates the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns, and recommendations contained in Switzerland's statements sorted by States.

Appraisals on human rights policies: (8/8) - 100%

Switzerland made appraisals on 8 States: Bahrain, Morocco, the United Kingdom, India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, South Africa, and Argentina.

¹ Total number of States in the regional group on which Switzerland made a statement.

Remarks on human rights issues: (8/8) - 100%

Switzerland made remarks on 8 States: Bahrain, Morocco, the United Kingdom, India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, South Africa, and Argentina.

Concerns on human rights issues: (1/8) - 12.5%

Switzerland expressed concerns on 1 State: South Africa.

Recommendations: (8/8) - 100%

Switzerland made recommendations on 8 States: Bahrain, Morocco, the United Kingdom, India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, South Africa, and Argentina.

o **By regional group**

Switzerland belongs to the Western European and Others Group (WEOG).

The following table indicates the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns, and recommendations contained in Switzerland's statements within regional groups:

Regional Group Statements	African Group (2)	Asian Group (3)	EASTERN EU (0)	GRULAC (1)	WEOG (2)
Appraisals	2/2: 100%	3/3: 100%		1/1: 100%	2/2: 100%
Remarks	2/2: 100%	3/3: 100%		1/1: 100%	2/2: 100%
Concerns	1/2 50%	0/3		0/1	0/2
Recommendations	2/2: 100%	3/3: 100%		1/1: 100%	2/2: 100%

Read as follows: *100% of all the statements made by Switzerland on States from the African Group contained appraisals.*

The following table indicates an alternative way to read the data. It shows the partition of appraisals, remarks, concerns and recommendations contained in Switzerland's statements sorted by regional group:

	Appraisals (8)	Remarks (8)	Concerns (1)	Recommendations (8)
African Group	2/8: 25%	2/8: 25%	1/1: 100%	2/8: 25%
Asian Group	3/8: 37.5%	3/8: 37.5%	0/1	3/8: 37.5%
EEG	0/8	0/8	0/1	0/8
GRULAC	1/8: 12.5%	1/8: 12.5%	0/1	1/8: 12.5%
WEOG	2/8: 25%	2/8: 25%	0/1	2/8: 25%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Read as follows: *25% of all the appraisals made by Switzerland were on States from the African Group.*

ANNEX 1 – LIST OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES RAISED

Human Rights Issues	States under Review	Remarks	Concerns	Recommendations
Extrajudiciary, Summary and Arbitrary executions/ killings	Philippines	X		X
Human rights defenders	Argentina			X
Human rights education and training	Bahrain	X		
	Morocco	X		X
	United Kingdom	X		
	Netherlands	X		
Human rights policies and mechanisms	Netherlands	X		
Human rights while countering terrorism / Counter-terrorism legislation	United Kingdom	X		
	Netherlands	X		X
Impunity	Morocco	X		X
	Philippines	X		X
International human rights instruments (including their implementation in national legislations, coop. with Treaty bodies)	Morocco			X
	India	X		X
International humanitarian law	United Kingdom			X
Justice	Philippines			X
	Netherlands	X		
	Argentina	X		X
Migrants	Bahrain	X		
National Plan of Action	Netherlands	X		
Pre-trial detention	United Kingdom	X		X
Racism/racial discrimination	South Africa	X		
Rights of the Child	South Africa		X	X
Special Procedures	India	X		X
Technical assistance (including cooperation with OHCHR)	Morocco	X		X
Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	India	X		
Women's rights	Bahrain	X		X
	South Africa		X	X

ANNEX 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

List of the **14** recommendations submitted by Switzerland during the first session and contained in Reports of the Working Group:

- **To Bahrain - A/HRC/8/19**

- It recommended that a non-discriminatory family code which, according to UNDP had been drafted in 2005, be adopted and enter into force without delay. It was further recommended that an extensive information campaign be undertaken once the code was adopted.

- **To Morocco - A/HRC/8/22**

- To continue with the training of law enforcement officials, based on the request for technical cooperation contained in paragraph 152 of the national report

- To ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and continue training of law enforcement officials, based on the request for technical cooperation contained in paragraph 152 of the national report.

- **To the United Kingdom - A/HRC/8/25**

- To strengthen guarantees for detained persons, and not to extend but to shorten the length of time of pre-trial detentions.

- To consider that any person detained by its armed forces is under its jurisdiction and respect its obligations concerning the human rights of such individuals.

- **To India - A/HRC/8/26**

- To expedite ratification of the Convention against Torture

- To extend standing invitation to special procedures

- To receive as soon as possible the Special Rapporteur on the question of torture

- **To the Philippines - A/HRC/8/28**

- To intensify its efforts to carry out investigations and prosecutions on extrajudicial killings and punish those responsible

- To strengthen the witness protection programme and address the root causes of this issue in the context of the reform of the judiciary and the armed forces

- **To the Netherlands - A/HRC/8/31**

- While implementing anti-terrorism measures, respect international human rights obligations, including the right to a fair trial and the right to freedom and security of the person

- **To South Africa - A/HRC/8/32**

- To follow up on the recommendation made by the Committee against Torture to adopt all necessary measures to prevent, combat and punish violence against women and children

- **To Argentina - A/HRC/8/34**

- To continue its efforts to improve the protection of victims and witnesses, and their families, as well as human rights defenders, particularly those testifying in human rights-related trials, and to ensure that adequate witness protection is implemented.

- To take steps to ensure that the principle of speedy trials be duly taken into account in the context of the ongoing human rights trials.

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