

Responses to Recommendations

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List of recommendations contained in Section II of the Report of the Working Group A/HRC/42/16:

125. The following recommendations will be examined by Nicaragua, which will provide responses in due time, but no later than the forty-second session of the Human Rights Council:

N - 125.1 Accede to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Iraq); Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Montenegro); Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Senegal); Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Slovakia); Consider acceding to and ratifying the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, and recognize the competence of its

Committee (Uruguay); Ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Armenia);

N - 125.2 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (Slovakia); Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention of the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (Montenegro); Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (Georgia); Accede to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (El Salvador);

N - 125.3 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Senegal); Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Cyprus); Ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Georgia); Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Armenia);

N - 125.4 Accede to the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (El Salvador);

S - 125.5 Consider ratification of the human rights instruments to which it is not yet a party (Plurinational State of Bolivia); Consider ratification of the human rights instruments to which it is not yet a party (Greece);

N - 125.6 Accede to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Sweden); Accede to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Austria); Consider acceding to and ratifying the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Uruguay); Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Cyprus); Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Georgia);

N - 125.7 Ratify the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in respect of Intercountry Adoption (Honduras);

S - 125.8 Submit reports to the human rights treaty bodies to which it is a party (Peru); Fulfil its obligation to submit periodic reports to the treaty bodies (Honduras); Collaborate effectively with relevant human rights bodies (Senegal); Fully comply with States' obligations under the international human rights instruments to which Nicaragua is a party, including the timely submission of periodic reports to the respective treaty bodies (Ukraine); Take the necessary steps to submit periodic reports, in accordance with the international legal instruments already ratified (Angola);

S - 125.9 Cooperate with the High Commissioner for Human Rights to comply with the mandate under resolution 40/2 of the Human Rights Council, and meet its obligation to submit reports to the human rights treaty bodies to which it is a party (Paraguay);

N - 125.10 Allow access to the country by the special procedures of the Human Rights Council, in accordance with the open invitation extended by the State in 2006 (Honduras);

N - 125.11 Allow the return of international and regional bodies, including the OHCHR country team, the Special Monitoring Mechanism for Nicaragua, and the Interdisciplinary Group of Independent Experts of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and grant them full, unhindered access to all parts of the country, including detention centres (Ireland);

N - 125.12 Provide access to international bodies investigating human rights violations, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and provide them with the necessary assistance for the fulfilment of their mandate (Luxembourg);

N - 125.13 Accept international scrutiny, facilitating visits by human rights mechanisms and resuming cooperation with the Inter-American system and the United Nations system (Mexico);

N - 125.14 Resume its cooperation with OHCHR, the mechanisms of the Human Rights Council, as well as OAS and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (Norway);

N - 125.15 Grant international mechanisms full and unhindered access to all parts of the country, including to detention facilities, as well as access to all official documentation (Poland);

N - 125.16 Allow the special procedures of the Human Rights Council that have requested an official visit access to the country, in accordance with the standing invitation extended by the State in 2006 (Portugal);

N - 125.17 Guarantee access to regional and international human rights mechanisms (France);

N - 125.18 Cooperate with international and regional human rights bodies and mechanisms and allow them access to the country and monitor the human rights situation on the ground (Republic of Korea);

N - 125.19 Allow the return of the OHCHR country team and grant it full and unhindered access to all parts of the country and the information requested by it (Slovakia);

N - 125.20 Accept the return to Nicaragua of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, taking into account the criticisms contained in the report of the United Nations and the allegations about the lack of independence of the national human rights mechanisms (Spain);

N - 125.21 Allow access to OHCHR and all relevant international and regional human rights monitoring mechanisms (Georgia);

N - 125.22 Ensure effective access, without restrictions, to international and regional human rights mechanisms to the whole country, including to victims and human rights defenders (Switzerland);

N - 125.23 Cooperate closely with OHCHR and with the special procedures of the Human Rights Council, allowing them access to the country in accordance with the standing invitation extended by the State in 2006, especially taking into account that the last such visit took place 10 years ago (Ukraine);

N - 125.24 Resume cooperation with OHCHR and allow access to the special procedures of the Human Rights Council that had requested an official visit (Afghanistan);

N - 125.25 Resume its cooperation with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the mechanisms of the Human Rights Council and relevant treaty bodies, as well as the Organization of American States and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, including by facilitating visits and allowing unfettered access throughout the country, including to detention centres (Argentina);

N - 125.26 Resume cooperation with international human rights observers and impartially investigate, without impunity, all alleged human rights abuses and violations, and hold those responsible to account (Australia);

N - 125.27 Fully cooperate with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and regional human rights bodies and mechanisms with a view to ensuring full compliance with its human rights obligations (Austria);

N - 125.28 Give consideration to allowing independent human rights bodies access to the country, as previously extended by the Government of Nicaragua (Bahamas);

N - 125.29 Re-establish full cooperation with international and regional human rights mechanisms such as the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, including by granting them once again unrestricted access to the country and facilitating their work in the discharge of their mandate (Belgium);

N - 125.30 Resume cooperation with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and other human rights bodies, and consider the implementation of their recommendations (Canada);

N - 125.31 Re-establish the conditions for the return of the human rights mechanisms of the Inter-American system and of the Human Rights Council to monitor and document the human rights situation in situ (Chile);

N - 125.32 Restore the presence in situ of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Organization of American States (Colombia);

N - 125.33 Resume the cooperation of Nicaragua with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and their mechanisms, and give them all the guarantees necessary for the fulfilment of their mandates (Costa Rica);

N - 125.34 Allow international and regional human rights bodies and mechanisms unrestricted access to the country to monitor and document the human rights situation (Croatia);

N - 125.35 Continue dialogue and take concrete steps towards increased collaboration with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the special procedure mandate holders (Greece);

N - 125.36 Promptly allow OHCHR to return to the country, and resume its cooperation with OHCHR, the mechanisms of the Human Rights Council and the relevant treaty bodies (Denmark);

S - 125.37 Provide further support to the Office of the Human Rights Advocate to enable it to fulfil its mandate in the best manner and in accordance with the Paris Principles (Qatar);

S - 125.38 Strengthen the work of the Nicaraguan Office of the Human Rights Advocate (Indonesia);

S - 125.39 Guarantee the independence and autonomy of the legislative, the judiciary and the electoral bodies of the country in terms of their personnel and management (Republic of Korea);

S - 125.40 Strengthen the national human rights institution (Senegal);

S - 125.41 Continue to support the work of the Office of the Human Rights Advocate (South Africa);

N - 125.42 Establish a national human rights institution in accordance with the Paris Principles (Uruguay);

S - 125.43 Increase efforts to strengthen national capacities for the promotion and protection of human rights (Belarus);

N - 125.44 Restore the autonomy of the Office of the Human Rights Advocate and allocate sufficient human, technical and financial resources to it (Bulgaria);

S - 125.45 Strengthen the mandate of independent human rights institutions, providing them with capacities and resources (Colombia);

S - 125.46 Improve the census methodology to have quantitative and qualitative data on the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex population, as an essential basis for inclusive and human rights-based public policies (Malta);

S - 125.47 Continue to intensify efforts to develop and strengthen the necessary legislative frameworks to address the cross-sectoral environmental challenges, including climate change adaptation and mitigation (Fiji);

S - 125.48 Ensure that existing legislative frameworks are reinforced by integrating climate change adaptation in planning and budgeting at the national and local levels (Fiji);

S - 125.49 Continue to build institutional capacity, data and knowledge to integrate environmental and climate change considerations more fully into the national regulatory frameworks (Fiji);

S - 125.50 Continue to cooperate closely with the United Nations bodies and other relevant international organizations to remedy all the effects of natural disasters for the benefit of all citizens, especially children and displaced persons (Serbia);

S - 125.51 Continue to strengthen the humanist vocation of the country, for peace and international solidarity towards the sustainable development of our peoples (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela);

S - 125.52 Maintain active participation and commitment in the climate change negotiations (Bangladesh);

S - 125.53 Continue its efforts to address the impacts of climate change and promote international cooperation in this regard, particularly in technology development and transfer, financial support and capacity-building (Viet Nam);

S - 125.54 Implement effective policies to better promote and protect access to information, including through collaboration with other States (Indonesia);

S - 125.55 Ensure that all security forces act in accordance with the principles of legitimate, proportionate and necessary use of force in the context of protests (New Zealand);

N - 125.56 Ensure that the National Police refrain from carrying out acts that constitute torture or other ill-treatment against detainees and demonstrators (New Zealand);

S - 125.57 Redouble its efforts to strengthen measures to protect vulnerable groups, including women and children, against all forms of violence (Philippines);

S - 125.58 Continue the work to ensure the safety of citizens, which is a guarantee for reducing the level of violence on the streets (Russian Federation);

S - 125.59 Take effective, primarily legislative, steps to protect the rights of persons deprived of their liberty (Ukraine);

N - 125.60 Cease the excessive use of force by the police against the exercise of peaceful protest, and guarantee the immediate disarmament of civilians close to the Government (Argentina);

S - 125.61 Pursue the State sovereignty and public safety strategy, in light of the low levels of violence, and its coordination with the social fabric in resolving community security problems (Plurinational State of Bolivia);

N - 125.62 Eradicate the practice of sexual violence against women deprived of their liberty (Costa Rica);

N - 125.63 Take immediate steps to prevent the excessive use of force against peaceful protestors (Cyprus);

S - 125.64 Redouble efforts and increase investments in community-based organizations, innovative community policing and social protection programmes that have contributed to making Nicaragua one of the safest countries in the Americas, to further promote a culture of non-violence (Haiti);

N - 125.65 Ensure that the police, the army and the judicial system remain under the rule of law, curbing the activity of paramilitary forces and ensuring that no acts of ill-treatment are tolerated in detention facilities (Holy See);

S - 125.66 Release without delay lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons in detention after the events of April 2018 and guarantee dignified conditions for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons arrested and detained for other reasons (Malta);

N - 125.67 Disband paramilitaries, prevent excessive use of force by police and investigate perpetrators to protect the rights to association and peaceful assembly (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

N - 125.68 Release all arbitrarily detained political opponents and critics, including journalists (Lithuania);

N - 125.69 Honour without delay the commitment to free all political prisoners (Luxembourg);

N - 125.70 Release all those arbitrarily or illegally detained, guarantee due process, and ensure that the conditions of detention are compliant with international human rights obligations (Norway);

N - 125.71 Release political prisoners immediately and implement a comprehensive reparation policy for victims and families that includes measures to establish the truth, the identification of victims and perpetrators, and allows the Interdisciplinary Group of Independent Experts to enter and stay for an indefinite period of time, as well as the presence of the InterAmerican Commission on Human Rights and all its mechanisms (Paraguay);

N - 125.72 Immediately release political prisoners, guarantee the independent investigation of complaints of rape, torture and other ill-treatment committed in detention centres, and provide victims with truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-repetition (Peru);

N - 125.73 Release prisoners held since the beginning of the crisis without court supervision (France);

N - 125.74 Release all those who were unlawfully imprisoned and ensure due process and fair treatment at all stages (Slovakia);

S - 125.75 Release, immediately, and within the established deadlines, all the prisoners on the lists provided by the Government and the Civic Alliance (Spain);

N - 125.76 Honour its commitments related to the release of political prisoners (Georgia);

N - 125.77 Release all prisoners of conscience immediately and unconditionally, and take immediate steps to end arbitrary arrest and detention (United States of America);

N - 125.78 Release without delay political prisoners and guarantee the prompt, exhaustive, independent and transparent investigation of allegations of rape, torture and other ill-treatment committed in detention centres, and provide victims with truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-repetition (Argentina);

N - 125.79 Release all students, human rights defenders, journalists and other protestors who were arbitrarily detained for exercising their rights to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly, without resorting to house arrests, and ensure that their right to due process is fully respected (Belgium);

N - 125.80 Immediately release political prisoners and guarantee independent and transparent investigations into allegations of rape, torture and other ill-treatment committed in detention centres (Brazil);

N - 125.81 Expeditiously release all prisoners per the announcement made in the context of the National Dialogue, including those arbitrarily sentenced for their participation in social protests (Canada);

N - 125.82 Immediately release political prisoners in accordance with the commitment undertaken by the Government of Nicaragua within the framework of the negotiations (Chile);

N - 125.83 Immediately release all political prisoners, guaranteeing the prompt, exhaustive, independent and transparent investigation of allegations of rape, torture and other inhuman and degrading treatment committed in detention centres, and provide victims with truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-repetition (Colombia);

N - 125.84 Adopt measures to release political prisoners without delay and guarantee prompt, exhaustive, independent and transparent investigation into allegations of rape, torture and other ill-treatment committed in detention centres, and provide victims with truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-repetition (Ecuador);

S - 125.85 Conduct thorough investigations into all acts of violence against journalists and media outlets, including the assassination on 21 April 2018 of Ángel Eduardo Gahona, and hold the perpetrators accountable (Iceland);

N - 125.86 Conduct prompt and impartial investigations into the widespread violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms perpetrated in the country and release all unlawfully detained political opponents (Italy);

S - 125.87 Guarantee respect for all internationally recognized human rights standards, starting with those related to habeas corpus, fair trial and freedom of association and expression, including press freedom (Italy);

N - 125.88 Guarantee that access to justice, truth and reparation will be at the centre of any resolution to the current crisis (Maldives);

S - 125.89 Create a mechanism for investigating acts of violence occurring in the context of demonstrations, with guarantees of autonomy and independence, to ensure the right to truth, justice, reparation and non-repetition (Mexico);

S - 125.90 Guarantee a thorough and transparent accountability process by ensuring access to justice and reparation for the victims of human rights violations (Norway);

N - 125.91 Conduct prompt, exhaustive and impartial investigations into the widespread human rights violations perpetrated by the police and armed progovernment groups against the participants in protests since April 2018 and ensure the victims access to effective remedies (Poland);

N - 125.92 Immediately investigate all cases of attacks or violations against human rights defenders, members of NGOs and journalists and ensure that the perpetrators are brought to justice (Poland);

N - 125.93 Ensure reparation for victims of acts of violence committed since 18 April 2018, as part of an independent judicial process that allows for the holding of free and transparent elections, in line with the recommendations of the Organization of American States and the European Union, and authorizing the presence of electoral observation missions by these same organizations (France);

N - 125.94 Conduct prompt, exhaustive and impartial investigations into the widespread human rights violations perpetrated by various officials, including police and armed progovernment groups (Slovakia);

S - 125.95 Adopt further measures to guarantee the independence and impartiality of the judiciary (State of Palestine);

N - 125.96 Undertake independent investigations into all reported incidents of attacks, intimidation or harassment of journalists since April 2018 (Sweden);

N - 125.97 Take all necessary actions to implement the recommendations of the OHCHR and the Interdisciplinary Group of Independent Experts reports regarding the independence and impartiality of the judiciary (Sweden);

N - 125.98 Create a mechanism of international investigations into the violence that had occurred (Georgia);

N - 125.99 Hold accountable all government officials, agents, or para-police forces who are responsible for human rights violations or abuses – including unlawful or arbitrary killings, forced disappearances, torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, physical abuse, and rape – by initiating investigations immediately (United States of America);

N - 125.100 Ensure the independence of the judiciary, including by complying with established procedures on the appointment of judicial personnel and by cooperating with the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers (Germany);

N - 125.101 Address and ensure thorough and impartial investigation of human rights violations, including excessive use of force, torture, arbitrary detention and killings committed by State officials and paramilitary groups, and guarantee the independence and impartiality of the judiciary (Austria);

N - 125.102 Launch thorough investigations into the events that began on 18 April 2019 and bring to justice those responsible for human rights violations (Bulgaria);

S - 125.103 Adopt a thorough and transparent accountability process to ensure access to justice and reparation for the victims of human rights violations and abuses (Canada);

N - 125.104 Set up a mechanism of international investigation into the violent events that took place, with guarantees of autonomy and independence, to ensure the right to truth and to duly identify those responsible (Chile);

S - 125.105 Ensure the separation of powers and the independence of the judiciary (Cyprus);

N - 125.106 Prosecute the perpetrators of violence against demonstrators, especially those who caused deaths, and provide justice, reparation and guarantees of non-repetition to the victims or their surviving family members (Ecuador);

S - 125.107 Take concrete steps to end the current sociopolitical crisis in the country, including by strengthening State institutions and fighting corruption (Haiti);

N - 125.108 Immediately halt the persecution of political opponents and swiftly release all individuals who have been arbitrarily detained (Iceland);

N - 125.109 Revoke anti-terrorism laws that allow for the persecution of human rights defenders, including women and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex defenders, journalists and peaceful protesters (Iceland);

S - 125.110 Promote freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly (Iraq);

S - 125.111 Ensure that human rights standards for freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly, including press freedom, are upheld (Ireland);

S - 125.112 Take effective measures to ensure that the next electoral process is inclusive of all political parties and movements and entirely transparent (Italy);

S - 125.113 Enhance the protection and promotion of freedom of expression and of the media and the right to peaceful assembly, and resolve ongoing problems through dialogue between the Government and the people (Japan);

S - 125.114 Take further measures, including reform of the electoral system, to organize elections in a fairer manner in cooperation with the international community (Japan);

N - 125.115 Comply with international human rights obligations to guarantee that all persons and civil society actors can freely exercise, without fear of persecution or violence, their rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and association, including peaceful protest and dissent; refrain from using arbitrary restrictions and excessive force against protesters; and ensure that those responsible for human rights violations are brought to justice and held to account (Lithuania);

S - 125.116 Take all necessary steps to fully protect the freedom of the media and of expression, both online and offline, to ensure the safety of journalists and accountability for violence and attacks against them (Lithuania);

N - 125.117 Restore civil and political rights, including the right to demonstrate and freedom of the press (Luxembourg);

S - 125.118 Protect civil society organizations and individuals, including organizations that defend women's rights (Luxembourg);

N - 125.119 Guarantee the exercise of freedom of expression and the right to peaceful assembly, avoiding acts of repression against journalists or human rights defenders (Mexico);

N - 125.120 Respect and guarantee freedom of expression for all civilians, which includes the unconditional release of incarcerated journalists and political prisoners and the return of confiscated material to the media and human rights organizations (Netherlands);

S - 125.121 Respect and guarantee the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association (Finland);

S - 125.122 Ensure the freedom of speech and the independence of the press (Finland);

N - 125.123 Immediately cease the repression of public protests, particularly the unlawful arrests and arbitrary detentions of those involved in public protests (New Zealand);

S - 125.124 Guarantee the human rights and fundamental freedoms of its citizens, especially their rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly without fear of reprisals, threats, attacks, harassment or unjust prosecution (New Zealand);

N - 125.125 Repeal any law, policy or practice that places obstacles to legitimate activities to promote and defend human rights, including the misuse of legislation and administrative measures by the Government to close down, raid or silence civil society organizations (New Zealand);

N - 125.126 Respect the rights to freedom of expression, association and assembly by ending the repression of people involved in peaceful protests and allowing human rights defenders, civil society organizations and the media to carry out their work (Norway);

S - 125.127 Support the national policy to promote a culture of peace and reconciliation (Oman);

N - 125.128 Guarantee freedom of expression and demonstration, as a way of advancing towards effective dialogue with all the parties involved (Paraguay);

N - 125.129 Respect and guarantee the full enjoyment of the population's rights to protest, freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and political participation and dismantle the pro-government armed groups, given the negative impact of their actions on human rights (Peru);

N - 125.130 Ensure the international human rights standards related to freedom of expression, including media freedom, both online and offline, are upheld, and refrain from using any administrative, judicial or financial means to unduly restrict the exercise of this right (Poland);

N - 125.131 Continue effective dialogue with the opposition and all concerned parties to the conflict (Poland);

N - 125.132 Refrain from resorting to violence and give the highest priority to the implementation of a credible and inclusive reconciliation and dialogue process (Portugal);

N - 125.133 Restore civil society space and guarantee that local human rights defence organizations can operate freely (France);

N - 125.134 Restore and ensure public freedoms, in particular freedom of expression and of opinion (France);

N - 125.135 Adopt urgently all the necessary measures to guarantee the full exercise and enjoyment of the freedoms of association, assembly, demonstration and expression, as recognized in the Constitution, including the cessation of arbitrary detentions and of the excessive use of force by the police (Spain);

N - 125.136 Restore legal personality and seized goods to non-governmental organizations that defend human rights and to the media (Spain);

N - 125.137 Reform legislation which is used to detain and prosecute demonstrators and human rights defenders, especially to reconsider charges of terrorism under Act No. 977 and assure that the offences cannot be extrapolated to situations unrelated to the aim of the Act (Sweden);

N - 125.138 Guarantee freedom of expression and non-resumption of violence (Georgia);

N - 125.139 Restore immediately the rights to freedom of expression and of the media, and carry out investigations into all cases of violence committed against journalists and the media (Switzerland);

N - 125.140 Respect the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, and release persons arbitrarily detained for having participated in demonstrations, in conformity

with the agreements signed on 29 March 2019 by the Government and the Civic Alliance (Switzerland);

N - 125.141 Cease harassment of and political pressure on journalists and the press and reduce import restrictions on journalistic supplies and equipment to strengthen protection of freedom of expression (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

N - 125.142 End immediately all undue interference with rights to freedoms of expression, association and peaceful assembly, allow all independent media, religious institutions, and civil society organizations to operate without undue coercion, restrictions, legal threat or threat to personal safety (United States of America);

S - 125.143 Continue defending peace, stability and constructive dialogue in the country in the face of foreign interference and aggressions (Cuba);

S - 125.144 Continue the consultations on building a culture of peace and reconciliation, dialogue and coexistence (Yemen);

S - 125.145 Ensure that members of the political opposition and civil society organizations, as well as journalists, are free to express their opinions and that their right to freedom of assembly is guaranteed (Germany);

N - 125.146 Cease violent repression of opposition protests, uphold the rights to freedom of association, peaceful assembly and expression, and release those arbitrarily detained for exercising their rights (Australia);

N - 125.147 Refrain from creating or misusing legislative or administrative measures in order to silence civil society organizations active in the field of human rights and democracy (Belgium);

N - 125.148 Take steps to guarantee full enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including freedom of expression, of the media, of association and of peaceful assembly, and refrain from further acts of intimidation or reprisal, including by paramilitary groups (Canada);

N - 125.149 Resume the national dialogue between the Government and the Civic Alliance for Justice and Democracy that began on 27 February 2019 and that allowed for the adoption of a roadmap, ensuring a wide, credible, representative, inclusive and transparent dialogue, with the support of the international community, to allow for a peaceful and democratic resolution to the crisis (Chile);

N - 125.150 Eliminate the restrictions that are systematically imposed on freedom of expression and freedom of the press by developing policies for the promotion and protection of access to public information (Chile);

S - 125.151 Respect the rights to peaceful assembly and freedom of association with guarantees and effective protection mechanisms (Colombia);

N - 125.152 Guarantee the rights to freedom of opinion and expression, and cease all acts of censorship and harassment of the media (Colombia);

N - 125.153 Decriminalize the right to hold peaceful protests and release persons arbitrarily detained in the context of civil protests (Costa Rica);

N - 125.154 Restore respect for freedom of expression and of the press and free journalists who are in detention (Costa Rica);

N - 125.155 Repeal or amend legislation that may place obstacles to legitimate activities to promote and defend human rights, thereby respecting the rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly (Croatia);

S - 125.156 Guarantee the protection and promotion of freedom of expression and the independence and pluralism of the media (Greece);

N - 125.157 Fully guarantee freedom of association and peaceful assembly without fear of reprisals or unjust prosecution (Czechia);

N - 125.158 Ensure freedom of expression and refrain from using administrative and judicial means to unduly restrict exercise of this right (Czechia);

N - 125.159 Guarantee press freedom, including by refraining from using administrative, judicial or financial means to unduly restrict its exercise (Denmark);

N - 125.160 Immediately cease acts of State repression towards demonstrators, and guarantee the population's right to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and political participation (Ecuador);

S - 125.161 Continue efforts to promote political participation for all citizens and to achieve equality of opportunities for everyone to access government jobs and to participate in the decision-making process (Egypt);

S - 125.162 Safeguard the right to expression and to assembly for all members of society, and the freedom of the press (Holy See);

N - 125.163 Ensure that all human rights defenders who engage with multilateral institutions and international and regional human rights bodies can do so without fear of persecution or violence and that any allegations or instances of reprisals are promptly investigated (Iceland);

S - 125.164 Protect human rights defenders, journalists and media workers and fully guarantee the right to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly by complying with its commitments under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Slovenia);

N - 125.165 Respect the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and expression, in particular by ending reprisals and violence against journalists and human rights defenders (Republic of Korea);

S - 125.166 Ensure protection of human rights defenders and journalists and take adequate measures to guarantee their physical and psychological security, as well as the full exercise of the rights to freedom of information, expression and association (Uruguay);

S - 125.167 Guarantee freedoms of expression, assembly, association and movement, particularly for human rights defenders and journalists (Argentina);

N - 125.168 Institute measures to ensure that human rights defenders, journalists and media workers can exercise their rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly without fear of reprisals, threats, attacks or unjust prosecutions (Ghana);

S - 125.169 Make more efforts to strengthen the fight against trafficking in persons and ensure the rights of victims (Qatar);

S - 125.170 Continue its efforts to fight against human trafficking (Islamic Republic of Iran);

S - 125.171 Sustain its efforts to combat human trafficking and protect the rights of victims of human trafficking, as well as the rights of migrants (Nigeria);

S - 125.172 Intensify awareness-raising campaigns and training programmes to strengthen the implementation of its anti-trafficking Act of 2015 (Philippines);

S - 125.173 Strengthen efforts to combat human trafficking through implementation of the anti-trafficking Act and improving measures to prosecute offenders and protect victims (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);

S - 125.174 Strengthen further efforts in the area of combating trafficking in persons, including improving law enforcement practices, with a view to bringing to justice and punishing the perpetrators, as well as providing victims of trafficking with protection and effective restoration of rights (Belarus);

S - 125.175 Protect the family and its development considering it the main unit for the development of society (Egypt);

S - 125.176 Continue to promote the employment of persons with disabilities (Russian Federation);

S - 125.177 Take further necessary steps to provide adequate housing for its citizens (Islamic Republic of Iran);

S - 125.178 Intensify its attempts to provide clean water for all people (Islamic Republic of Iran);

S - 125.179 Continue its efforts to combat poverty and equality (Myanmar);

S - 125.180 Continue its effort to enhance the socioeconomic well-being of its people (Nigeria);

S - 125.181 Continue to work on achieving the remaining Sustainable Development Goals, particularly in the areas of health and education (Oman);

S - 125.182 Take measures to continue progress made in social and economic development, including through the implementation of the National Human Development Plan and other national policies and international commitments (Pakistan);

S - 125.183 Continue to ensure the full range of human rights of both urban and rural residents (Russian Federation);

S - 125.184 Sustain national distribution networks for foodstuffs and household items for people on lower incomes (South Africa);

S - 125.185 Strengthen support for women seeking to become entrepreneurs (South Africa);

S - 125.186 Sustain efforts to expand access to drinking water and sanitation in urban and rural areas (South Africa);

S - 125.187 Adopt measures to maintain social programmes and eradicate poverty (State of Palestine);

S - 125.188 Continue the efforts that the Government of Nicaragua is making to protect its citizens and support them, including through securing their food needs and through the various programmes it is implementing for this purpose (Syrian Arab Republic);

S - 125.189 Maintain its efforts to promote and protect human rights, in accordance with its international obligations (Turkey);

S - 125.190 Continue to promote policies in education, health and employment in favour of its people, especially the most vulnerable groups (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela);

S - 125.191 Continue consolidating the national distribution of food and household products at lower prices, accessible to lower income families (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela);

S - 125.192 Effectively implement the National Human Development Plan until 2021 and other government policies and actions for the welfare of its population (Cuba);

S - 125.193 Strengthen actions for poverty reduction (Cuba);

S - 125.194 Continue its public policies by including programmes that will create the conditions to alleviate poverty, such as the urban programme for the wellbeing of children living in extreme poverty (Angola);

S - 125.195 Continue to build on the success of the National Human Development Plan 2012–2016 by ensuring that the core elements of the 2018–2021 National Human Development Programme are fully implemented (Ghana);

S - 125.196 Continue its efforts to reduce poverty, particularly by increasing the food security of the most vulnerable in the society (Bhutan);

S - 125.197 Adopt and effectively implement a national action plan to combat child and adolescent malnutrition, including measures to raise awareness, improve nutrition surveillance and promote positive behaviour around nutrition (Bulgaria);

S - 125.198 Continue to strengthen efforts to maintain financial stability and boost economic growth that would benefit all Nicaraguans (Viet Nam);

S - 125.199 Continue increasing economic and social development with a view to eliminating extreme poverty (Cyprus);

S - 125.200 Fully implement programmes aimed at supporting the most vulnerable in society, such as the Zero Hunger Programme and the distribution of production capacity recovery packs (Democratic People's Republic of Korea);

S - 125.201 Continue efforts to eradicate general and extreme poverty in the country (Dominican Republic);

S - 125.202 Continue to strive to reduce inequality indices (Dominican Republic);

S - 125.203 Continue efforts to provide social services to all segments of society, especially the most vulnerable and most needy groups, particularly in the area of universal health-care services and education (Egypt);

S - 125.204 Ensure the protection and promotion of the human rights of the Nicaraguan population in all its spheres (El Salvador);

S - 125.205 Adopt targeted policies to promote the effective equality and economic development of Nicaraguans of African descent (Haiti);

S - 125.206 Ensure non-discriminatory access to universal health care and free health services (India);

S - 125.207 Draft and implement an action plan to reduce child pregnancies, consisting of awareness-raising campaigns, active prosecution of rapists, comprehensive sexual education and access to emergency contraception (Netherlands);

S - 125.208 Develop strategies to ensure sexual education in schools aiming, inter alia, at reducing the number of teenage pregnancies and ensuring that girls continue to have access to education without discrimination (Portugal);

S - 125.209 Step up efforts to guarantee universal access to health and education for all Nicaraguans (Eritrea);

S - 125.210 Guarantee health care and education for all citizens of Nicaragua (Russian Federation);

S - 125.211 Continue to strengthen the right to health, including through full health coverage and health services free of charges (Syrian Arab Republic);

S - 125.212 Continue to expand the quality of and access to the health system, with emphasis on the reduction of maternal and child mortality (Cuba);

S - 125.213 Continue its efforts to further reduce the rate of child mortality (Bangladesh);

S - 125.214 Adopt effective measures to address widespread adolescent pregnancy, including the development, implementation and monitoring, as well as costing and budgeting, of an integrated national prevention strategy (Bulgaria);

S - 125.215 Further consolidate the family and community health-care model in line with the primary health-care strategy and share good practices in this regard (Democratic People's Republic of Korea);

N - 125.216 Guarantee health assistance to all, with no discrimination for political reasons, and with respect to the freedom and the professionalism of medical personnel (Holy See);

N - 125.217 Decriminalize abortion in all circumstances and ensure that safe and legal abortion services are available for those women and girls whose pregnancy is a result of rape or whose lives or health are put at risk, as previously recommended (Slovenia);

N - 125.218 Survey the extent of unsafe illegal abortions and introduce measures to safeguard women's universal right to life and health (Norway);

N - 125.219 Decriminalize abortion at least in cases of pregnancies resulting from rape or incest and also where the life or health of the mother is at risk (Germany);

S - 125.220 Ensure the realization of sexual and reproductive health and rights, including access to the full range of quality reproductive and sexual health-care services and information (Australia);

S - 125.221 Enhance the quality of teaching and ensure non-discriminatory access to education in rural areas (India);

S - 125.222 Continue to provide better access to education by prioritizing budget allocation for preschool and secondary education in rural areas (Indonesia);

S - 125.223 Continue its efforts to eradicate illiteracy, particularly for women and young girls (Islamic Republic of Iran);

S - 125.224 Continue its guaranteed education programmes that aim to improve quality education and equitable access, and increase institutional efficiency and effectiveness (Lao People's Democratic Republic);

S - 125.225 Ensure that access to education for vulnerable groups, such as indigenous peoples, persons of African descent and migrants, is guaranteed and respected (Madagascar);

N - 125.226 Introduce legislative measures prohibiting all forms of discrimination with regard to access to education (Madagascar);

S - 125.227 Continue its efforts to ensure free, fair, high quality and appropriate education (Oman);

S - 125.228 Continue its efforts to implement the Education Plan for 2017–2021 in order to ensure the provision of free, fair, high-quality, child-friendly education (Pakistan);

S - 125.229 Continue the campaigns against school dropout and maternal mortality (Eritrea);

S - 125.230 Continue to improve the infrastructure of study centres at the national level, especially in rural areas (Eritrea);

S - 125.231 Continue ensuring the right to free, equitable, high quality and appropriate education, expand its scope and promote equal opportunities to benefit from it (Syrian Arab Republic);

S - 125.232 Continue its focus on the implementation of the Education Plan for 2017–2021 and establish the appropriate curriculum and initiatives for the promotion of equal access to education for all (Bahamas);

S - 125.233 Continue to improve the infrastructure of public schools to guarantee better education in the country (Dominican Republic);

S - 125.234 Continue implementing remote secondary education services in the most vulnerable rural areas (El Salvador);

S - 125.235 Keep improving access to, and the quality of, education for children, especially for those living in rural areas (Holy See);

S - 125.236 Fully implement its national legislation to prevent violence against women and to eradicate gender discrimination (India);

S - 125.237 Strengthen efforts to prevent and combat all harmful practices against woman and girls, including child, early and forced marriage (Italy);

S - 125.238 Continue its priority to support gender equality and the participation of women at decision-making levels (Lao People's Democratic Republic);

N - 125.239 Develop strategies to address ongoing violence against women and girls, including femicides and sexual abuse (Portugal);

N - 125.240 Take immediate measures to address the high rates of femicide and sexual and domestic violence against women and children by promptly investigating and prosecuting such crimes, by repealing legislative amendments that have weakened the implementation of Act No. 779 and providing specialized support for victims (Germany);

S - 125.241 Ensure better protection of women and children by putting in place early warning mechanisms for signs of violence (Algeria);

N - 125.242 Eliminate gender-based violence and discrimination and violence directed at indigenous and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex minorities (Australia);

N - 125.243 Take urgent measures to combat all forms of violence against women and children, particularly sexual violence against girls, through strengthening of the legal framework, development of competent authorities and adequate support for victims (Austria);

S - 125.244 Continue its efforts to strengthen the rights of women, particularly by enhancing their access to justice (Bhutan);

N - 125.245 Increase efforts to reduce the levels of impunity for violence against women and girls (Brazil);

S - 125.246 Establish comprehensive and transparent records of the incidence of domestic violence, sexual violence and maternal mortality, as well as femicides and discrimination against LGBTQI (Cyprus);

S - 125.247 Make further efforts to ensure full enjoyment of the rights of children (Italy);

S - 125.248 Take all necessary measures to prevent violations of the human rights of children and adolescents, particularly the rights to life and health (Maldives);

S - 125.249 Increase its efforts to reduce child labour by providing necessary incentives and allocating more funding to the education sector (Myanmar);

S - 125.250 Further invest and develop policies to eliminate child labour, to reduce school dropout rates and to improve access to education in rural areas (Portugal);

S - 125.251 Take measures to prevent violence against children and their labour exploitation in order to protect the rights of the child (Yemen);

S - 125.252 Allocate sufficient financial resources to support the effective implementation of legislation aimed at reducing the rate of child labour (Algeria);

S - 125.253 Take measures to prevent the violation of the human rights of children and adolescents, particularly the right to life, health, participation and freedom of association (Malta);

S - 125.254 Take bold measures to improve the process of awarding land titles to indigenous peoples (Mozambique);

S - 125.255 Guarantee the traditional property regime of indigenous and Afrodescendent peoples and protect their ancestral cultural identity (Peru);

S - 125.256 Ensure effective access to the right to seek and enjoy asylum by resuming the processing of asylum claims (Afghanistan);



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S - 125.257 Ensure effective access to the right to education for refugees and asylum seekers (Afghanistan);

N - 125.258 Allow the voluntary and safe return of citizens who have fled the country from fear of reprisal (Australia);

N - 125.259 Guarantee safe return and stay without reprisals for all those who have been forced to leave Nicaragua since the beginning of the crisis (Costa Rica).

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