

Written contribution to the 3rd Review of Germany under the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the UN Human Rights Council

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Preliminary remarks

In fulfilment of its mandate as Germany's National Human Rights Institution, the German Institute for Human Rights submits this contribution to the UPR procedure regarding Germany. This report cannot provide a comprehensive picture of the human rights situation in Germany. Instead, it focuses on areas that the Institute considers to be of particular importance. The report largely builds on recommendations from the second review cycle. In addition, new human rights-related challenges have been included.

In addition to the main submission, the contribution comprises a brief note outlining the domestic background against which the report is made (**Annex 1**), as well as a summary of recommendations by the German Institute for Human Rights in relation to the content of the report (**Annex 2**).