



CSO-Government Dialogue: Letter of Intent for Cooperation

Mongolia's human rights record was reviewed for the second time on 5 May 2015 at the United Nations in Geneva, during the 22nd session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review. Mongolia received 164 recommendations and will implement them until the next UPR.

On 24 September 2015, the Human Rights Council adopted Mongolia's Report of Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review: the Government accepted 150 recommendations.

Within the UPR framework, cooperation is encouraged among all the different stakeholders during the implementation of UPR recommendations towards advancement of human rights and freedoms. Therefore, the Government representatives present today, together with representatives of the NGOs including Human Rights NGO Forum, the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) and the National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia (NHRCM) came together for a dialogue and after attentive deliberation agreed on this letter of intent (LOI) to enhance their mutual understanding and to discuss future collaboration for the implementation of UPR recommendations.

As a result of the dialogue, all participants have agreed on to:

- Submit a proposal to the Government to set up a Coordinating Committee to be in charge of the implementation of recommendations of the UPR, UN treaty bodies and other international human rights mechanisms, with representation of NHRCM, government and non-government organisations; raise a suggestion to the Government to look into the possibility of assigning this function to the existing Coordinating Committee of the National Human Rights Action Program;
- Continue to hold multi-party meetings at least once a year with a view to monitor the level of implementation of UPR recommendations and to discuss about ways to address challenges;
- Support participation of all stakeholders in the implementation process of recommendations of the UPR and other human rights bodies;
- Include in the government action plan for the implementation of UPR recommendations expected outcomes, assessment indicators, concrete activities, timeframe and responsible parties.

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