**DRAFT RESOLUTION**

**Human rights and indigenous peoples**

The Human Rights Council,

*Recalling* all relevant General Assembly, Commission on Human Rights and Human Rights Council resolutions on human rights and indigenous peoples,

*Reaffirming* its support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, adopted by the General Assembly on 13 September 2007,

Recognizing current efforts towards the promotion, protection and fulfillment of the rights of indigenous peoples, including the adoption of the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,

*Recalling* the adoption of the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples,

*Recognizing* that indigenous women, youth, children and persons with disabilities face particular challenges and face multi-faceted and intersecting forms of discrimination regarding the access to health services,

*Stressing* the need to acknowledge traditional knowledge and practices on health and for intercultural approaches that are sensitive to the health needs of indigenous peoples,

*Welcoming* the study by the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on “The right to health and indigenous peoples with a focus on children and youth”, submitted to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-third session, and encouraging all parties to consider the examples of good practices and recommendations included in the study as practical advice on how to attain the end goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,

*Stressing* the need to pay particular attention to the rights and special needs of indigenous women, children, youth, elders and persons with disabilities, and to intensify efforts to prevent and eliminate violence and discrimination against indigenous women and girls as set out in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and the Outcome Document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples.

*Recalling* the commitment made by the General Assembly of the World Conference, to consider ways to enable the participation of indigenous peoples’ representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them, and looks forward to the outcome of the process initiated by the President of the General Assembly and its consideration by the General Assembly.

*Recalling* the adoption of the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No.169), by the International Labour Organization, and its important contribution to the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous peoples~~,~~

1. Welcomes the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the rights of indigenous peoples, and requests the High Commissioner to continue to submit to the Human Rights Council an annual report on the rights of indigenous peoples containing information on relevant developments in human rights bodies and mechanisms and the activities undertaken by the Office of the High Commissioner at Headquarters and in the field that contribute to the promotion of, respect for and the full application of the provisions of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and follow-up on the effectiveness of the Declaration;

2. Also welcomes the work of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, including the official visits made and her reports, and encourages all Governments to respond favourably to her requests for visits;

4. Welcomes the work of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, takes note with appreciation of the report on its ninth session, and encourages States to continue to participate in and contribute to its discussions, including by their national specialized bodies and institutions;

5. Requests the Expert Mechanism to prepare a study, to be finalized by its tenth session, on good practices and challenges, including discrimination, related to business and access to financial services by indigenous peoples, in particular indigenous women and indigenous persons with disabilities,and to present it to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-sixth session;

6. Decides to hold, at its thirty-sixth session, the half-day panel discussion on the commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, with a special focus on challenges and good practices in achieving the ends of the Declaration, and requests the Office of the High Commissioner to make the discussions fully accessible to persons with disabilities and to prepare a summary report of the panel to be submitted to the Human Rights Council prior to its thirty-eight session;

7. Reaffirms the Council’s decision to continue its consideration of the issue of the elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences, as a matter of high priority, in conformity with its annual program of work, including violence against indigenous women and girls,

8. Welcomes the ongoing cooperation and coordination among the Special Rapporteur, the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Expert Mechanism, and their ongoing efforts to promote the rights of indigenous peoples, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, including the follow-up to the World Conference of Indigenous Peoples, and invites them to continue to work in close cooperation with all Human Rights Council mechanisms within their respective mandates;

9. Reaffirms that the United Nations treaty bodies are important mechanisms for the promotion and protection of human rights, and encourages States to give serious consideration to their recommendations regarding indigenous peoples;

10. Welcomes the contribution of the universal periodic review to the realization of the rights of indigenous peoples, encourages effective follow-up to accepted review recommendations concerning indigenous peoples, and invites States to include, as appropriate, information on the situation of the rights of indigenous peoples, including measures taken to pursue the objectives of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples during the review;

11. Encourages States that have endorsed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, to adopt measures to pursue its objectives in consultations and cooperation with indigenous peoples;

12. Calls upon States that that have not yet ratified or acceded to the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention to the ILO, to consider doing so.

13. Encourages States to give due consideration to all the rights of indigenous peoples in fulfilling the commitments undertaken in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and in the elaboration of relevant national programmes, strategies and plans;

14. Welcomes the role of national human rights institutions established in accordance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (the Paris Principles) in advancing indigenous issues, and recognizes the importance for such institutions to develop and strengthen their capacities, as appropriate, to fulfil that role effectively;

15. Takes note of the activity of the United Nations Indigenous Peoples Partnership and the System-wide action plan for ensuring a coherent approach to achieving the ends of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and invites States and other potential donors to support it;

16. Urges States and invites other public and/or private actors or institutions to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Peoples as an important means of promoting the rights of indigenous peoples worldwide and within the United Nations system;

17. Decides to continue its consideration of this question at a future session in conformity with its annual programme of work.