

IRAK: IMPUNIDAD IMPERANTE

AMNISTÍA INTERNACIONAL: INFORMACIÓN PARA EL 48 PERIODO DE SESIONES DEL GRUPO DE TRABAJO SOBRE EL EXAMEN PERIÓDICO UNIVERSAL, ENERO-FEBRERO DE 2025

RESUMEN

Este documento se ha preparado para el Examen Periódico Universal (EPU) al que se someterá Irak en enero-febrero de 2025. En él, Amnistía Internacional evalúa la aplicación de las recomendaciones formuladas a Irak en su anterior EPU, incluidas las relativas a los derechos de las mujeres, los derechos de las personas internamente desplazadas, la investigación de las denuncias de tortura y otros malos tratos en centros de detención, el uso de fuerza excesiva para sofocar las protestas, las desapariciones forzadas y la pena de muerte.

También se evalúa el marco nacional de derechos humanos en lo referente a derechos de las mujeres, derechos LGBTI y libertad de expresión y de reunión pacífica.

En cuanto a la situación de los derechos humanos sobre el terreno, Amnistía Internacional manifiesta su preocupación por lo siguiente: la violencia contra las mujeres y las niñas; el uso de la pena de muerte; las dudas sobre la imparcialidad procesal; las terribles condiciones de detención; la situación de las personas internamente desplazadas; la persecución de las personas LGBTI, y el derecho a la libertad de expresión y de reunión. El documento concluye con un conjunto de recomendaciones a Irak que, de aplicarse, contribuirían a mejorar la situación de los derechos humanos en el país.

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Somos independientes de todo gobierno, ideología política, interés económico y credo religioso. Nuestro trabajo se financia principalmente con las contribuciones de nuestra membresía y con donativos.

SEGUIMIENTO DEL EXAMEN ANTERIOR

1. Durante su tercer EPU, en noviembre de 2019, Irak aceptó 245 recomendaciones, tomó nota de 48 y aceptó parcialmente 5.¹
2. Amnistía Internacional acoge con satisfacción las medidas adoptadas por Irak para aplicar las recomendaciones relacionadas con la mejora de la situación general de los derechos humanos. El 26 de julio de 2021, el gobierno anterior estableció un Plan Nacional de Derechos Humanos para 2021-2025 con el que el gobierno actual confirmó su compromiso.
3. Lamentablemente, Irak no ha aplicado la mayoría de las recomendaciones que había aceptado en el anterior examen, incluidas las relacionadas con la adopción de una ley sobre violencia de género,² la adopción de medidas para garantizar la protección de las personas internamente desplazadas,³ la investigación de las denuncias de tortura y otros tratos crueles, inhumanos o degradantes en los centros de detención (“malos tratos”),⁴ la investigación del uso ilegal de la fuerza por parte de las fuerzas de seguridad contra los manifestantes en el contexto de las protestas de octubre de 2019,⁵ y la investigación de los casos de desaparición forzada y la adopción de la legislación pertinente.⁶
4. Desafortunadamente, Irak tomó nota de las recomendaciones relativas a convertirse en parte en el Estatuto de Roma de la Corte Penal Internacional,⁷ retirar las reservas a la Convención sobre la Eliminación de Todas las Formas de Discriminación contra la Mujer,⁸ derogar las disposiciones discriminatorias de “casarse con su violador” que figuran en el Código Penal,⁹ y establecer una moratoria del uso de la pena de muerte con vistas a su abolición total.¹⁰

MARCO NACIONAL DE DERECHOS HUMANOS

5. Aunque Irak es parte en numerosos convenios internacionales de derechos humanos, el incumplimiento de sus obligaciones en esa materia socava gravemente la protección y promoción de los derechos humanos en el país. La Región del Kurdistan de Irak tiene la obligación de respetar todos los tratados y convenios regionales e internacionales que son vinculantes para Irak.

Derechos de las mujeres

6. A pesar de las medidas adoptadas anteriormente por la Región del Kurdistan de Irak para mejorar la protección jurídica de las mujeres y las niñas contra la violencia de género, como la aprobación de legislación para suspender la aplicabilidad de los artículos del Código Penal y de la Ley del Estatuto Personal —que, respectivamente, establecen que el “honor” es una circunstancia atenuante para los delitos violentos y permiten la discriminación por motivos de género— y la promulgación de la Ley núm. 8 de 2011 para combatir la violencia de género en el ámbito familiar (Ley de Violencia Doméstica) —que penaliza la violencia intrafamiliar—, el acceso a protección y justicia para las sobrevivientes de violencia de género sigue plagado de obstáculos.
7. En Irak, el gobierno central no ha adoptado medidas para promulgar legislación que penalice la violencia de género en el ámbito familiar o para proteger de manera adecuada a las mujeres y las niñas frente a la violencia por motivos de género. Las autoridades no tomaron medidas para reformar las disposiciones del Código Penal que permiten al esposo castigar a su esposa,¹¹ a los progenitores infligir castigos corporales a sus hijos e hijas,¹² y que prevén penas atenuadas para los denominados “delitos en nombre del honor”.¹³ El Código Penal también permite al violador evitar el enjuiciamiento si se casa con la víctima.¹⁴

Derechos LGBTI

8. El 27 de abril de 2024, las autoridades iraquíes aprobaron reformas de la Ley contra la Prostitución que penalizan con hasta 15 años de prisión las relaciones entre personas del mismo sexo. Dicha aprobación se produjo en un contexto de aumento de los ataques contra las personas LGBTI y sus derechos. Además, la ley

penaliza actos de definición muy general y establece largas penas de prisión por “promover” las relaciones entre personas del mismo sexo, para los hombres que actúen “intencionadamente” de manera “afeminada” y por practicar el “adulterio con más de una persona”.¹⁵

Libertad de expresión y de reunión pacífica

9. Varias leyes y artículos de redacción excesivamente amplia del Código Penal iraquí restringen indebidamente el derecho a la libertad de expresión y de reunión pacífica y permiten a las autoridades enjuiciar a personas por expresar sus opiniones. El Código Penal tipifica como delito la difamación, la calumnia y los insultos, incluso contra funcionarios públicos. Asimismo, el Código Penal penaliza la incitación, pero las disposiciones son generales e imprecisas. El artículo 403 tipifica como delito la publicación de material que “viole la integridad o la decencia públicas”, pero no define esos términos.

SITUACIÓN DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS SOBRE EL TERRENO

Violencia contra las mujeres y las niñas

10. Las sobrevivientes de violencia por motivos de género, incluida la violencia de género en el ámbito familiar, se enfrentan a obstáculos significativos para acceder a justicia y protección en la Región del Kurdistán de Irak en un contexto de aumento de las denuncias de delitos violentos, incluidos asesinatos, cometidos contra las mujeres. Según la Dirección de Lucha contra la Violencia contra las Mujeres, al menos 30 mujeres y niñas fueron asesinadas en 2023 y 44 lo fueron en 2022. Según las cifras proporcionadas por el Gobierno Regional del Kurdistán, en 2023 había en la fiscalía 18.620 casos relacionados con incidentes de violencia de género en el ámbito familiar.¹⁶ Este tipo de violencia en la Región del Kurdistán de Irak se perpetúa gracias a un sistema de justicia penal que fomenta la impunidad y muestra un sesgo en favor del agresor masculino, así como un marco de protección que está agotado e infrafinanciado. La lentitud de los procesos judiciales, la falta de capacidad judicial y las facultades discrecionales de los jueces fundadas en leyes de redacción imprecisa dan lugar, en el mejor de los casos, a castigos desproporcionados a la gravedad de los delitos cometidos, y fomentan la impunidad. Además, la ley exige que todas las sobrevivientes se sometan a un proceso de reconciliación obligatorio con su agresor antes de que el caso vaya a juicio.
11. Los refugios para sobrevivientes de violencia de género sólo son accesibles en los casos más críticos en los que las mujeres y las niñas corren grave riesgo de muerte o sufrir lesiones de consideración y han presentado una denuncia penal contra su agresor. La Región del Kurdistán de Irak sólo dispone de tres refugios permanentes y un refugio de emergencia temporal. Las sobrevivientes que viven en refugios se enfrentan a condiciones opresivas que incluyen restricciones de su capacidad para moverse y comunicarse libremente, lo que puede constituir privación de libertad. A las mujeres y las niñas se les exige una orden judicial para entrar o salir del refugio y, mientras están en este tipo de instalaciones, carecen de acceso a cualquier forma de educación, formación o apoyo psicosocial.¹⁷
12. En el centro de Irak, las autoridades no han tomado medidas significativas para abordar y prevenir la violencia de género, y las mujeres y las niñas siguen siendo objeto de terribles formas de violencia, incluidos asesinatos. El 1 de febrero de 2023, medios de comunicación locales informaron de que la bloguera Tiba Ali había sido asesinada por su padre en una disputa familiar. En abril de 2023, un tribunal de Bagdad condenó al padre de Tiba Ali a seis meses de prisión por su asesinato, aduciendo el “honor” como factor atenuante.¹⁸

Uso de la pena de muerte en un contexto de preocupación por la imparcialidad procesal y terribles condiciones de reclusión

13. Desde el anterior EPU de Irak, en 2019, las autoridades han seguido recurriendo a la pena de muerte. También son motivo de preocupación las graves deficiencias del sistema judicial que violan el derecho de las personas acusadas a las debidas garantías procesales y las normas internacionales sobre juicios justos, incluida la admisión de “confesiones” obtenidas mediante tortura. Al menos 189 personas fueron ejecutadas y al menos 384 fueron condenadas a muerte entre 2019 y 2023, incluso en la Región del Kurdistán de Irak.

Aunque los tribunales de dicha región han seguido imponiendo condenas a muerte, no se tiene constancia de que allí se haya llevado a cabo ninguna ejecución en los últimos cinco años.¹⁹

14. En diciembre de 2023, las autoridades iraquíes reanudaron las ejecuciones masivas específicamente para las personas declaradas culpables de cargos relacionados con el terrorismo. La información de que dispone Amnistía Internacional indica que, entre diciembre de 2023 y mayo de 2024, las autoridades ejecutaron al menos a 45 personas recluidas en la Prisión Central de Nasiriya, en la gobernación de Thi Qar, en al menos cuatro ejecuciones masivas. Esas personas fueron declaradas culpables y condenadas a muerte por cargos de terrorismo excesivamente amplios e imprecisos, que incluían su presunta vinculación con el Estado Islámico. Según han contado a Amnistía Internacional activistas y abogados que representan a personas condenadas a muerte, decenas más han sido ejecutados. Estas ejecuciones masivas se están llevando a cabo en un contexto de falta de transparencia; las familias y los abogados de las personas ejecutadas dijeron que no se les había avisado con antelación de las ejecuciones, ni tampoco a los presos. Las últimas ejecuciones masivas en Irak antes de esta oleada se realizaron en noviembre de 2020, cuando las autoridades ejecutaron a 21 personas, algunas de ellas presuntamente vinculadas con el denominado Estado Islámico y declaradas culpables de cargos de terrorismo.²⁰
15. Amnistía Internacional ha documentado sistemáticamente deficiencias en los procesos judiciales de Irak que privan de un juicio justo a las personas presas. Sistemáticamente, los tribunales iraquíes han admitido como prueba “confesiones” empañadas por denuncias de tortura, no han investigado esas denuncias y han condenado a muerte a personas basándose en tales confesiones. Con frecuencia, a las personas se les niega el acceso a representación letrada o se les asigna un abogado de oficio con el que no pueden reunirse en privado antes de la audiencia judicial. Miles han sido declarados culpables de delitos de redacción excesivamente amplia e imprecisa relacionados con el terrorismo.²¹ Además, desde enero de 2022, cientos de hombres iraquíes detenidos han sido transferidos de campos de detención en el noreste de Siria a custodia de las autoridades iraquíes, y corren un alto riesgo de ser objeto de violaciones del derecho a un juicio justo, reclusión en condiciones que ponen en peligro su vida y condena a muerte.²²
16. A Amnistía Internacional le preocupan cada vez más las condiciones inhumanas y de hacinamiento en la Prisión Central de Nasiriya, donde están recluidas las personas condenadas a muerte, entre denuncias de tortura y otros malos tratos y de demora o denegación de asistencia médica. Ha habido decenas de muertes bajo custodia en la prisión que, según contaron familiares y abogados de las personas condenadas a muerte a Amnistía Internacional, fueron ocasionadas por tales condiciones de reclusión.

Personas internamente desplazadas y cierre de campamentos

17. Las personas internamente desplazadas siguen estando en grave riesgo de sufrir abusos y estigmatización casi ocho años después de que las autoridades iraquíes declararan el fin de las operaciones militares para recuperar el control de las zonas en poder del Estado Islámico tras un conflicto armado que provocó el desplazamiento de millones de iraquíes. Las fuerzas de seguridad iraquíes y del Gobierno Regional del Kurdistan sometieron a miles de personas internamente desplazadas, incluidos niños y niñas, a detención y reclusión arbitrarias, desaparición forzada y juicios injustos por su presunta vinculación con el Estado Islámico. Como consecuencia de ello, miles de iraquíes siguen sin conocer la suerte y el paradero de sus seres queridos objeto de desaparición forzada. Las autoridades continúan estigmatizando a las personas desplazadas a las que consideran vinculadas con el Estado Islámico, bloqueándoles u obstaculizándoles la obtención de documentación civil que es esencial para encontrar trabajo, acceder a la educación y a las prestaciones públicas y ejercer la libertad de circulación.²³
18. Estos motivos de preocupación se ven exacerbados por el cierre previsto para el 30 de julio de 2024 de campos de personas internamente desplazadas en toda la Región del Kurdistan de Irak. El cierre de estos campos no hará sino agravar los múltiples obstáculos para el regreso seguro, digno y sostenible de la población desplazada a sus zonas de origen.

Derechos LGBTI

19. En los últimos años, las autoridades iraquíes han intensificado los ataques contra los derechos de las personas LGBTI. Facciones políticas —sobre todo vinculadas a milicias afines al Estado— han intensificado

su condena de los derechos LGBTI, y con frecuencia recurren a la quema de banderas arcoíris y difunden afirmaciones descabelladas que vinculan la homosexualidad con la propagación de enfermedades. En agosto, la Comisión Iraquí de Comunicaciones y Medios de Comunicación ordenó a las plataformas de medios de comunicación sustituir el término “homosexualidad” por “desviación sexual” en sus contenidos impresos y audiovisuales.²⁴

20. En todo Irak, las personas LGBTI se enfrentan a violaciones graves de derechos humanos a manos de grupos armados. Según un informe de Human Rights Watch, grupos armados de las Unidades de Movilización Popular han secuestrado, violado, torturado y asesinado a personas LGBTI. Según informes, las personas sobrevivientes afrontan obstáculos para acceder a la justicia debido a cláusulas de “moralidad” mal definidas en el Código Penal y a la inexistencia de un sistema de denuncia y de legislación que proteja a las personas LGBTI frente a la discriminación. Las personas sobrevivientes también denunciaron abusos durante la detención, tales como negación de alimentos, agua y atención médica, negación de representación letrada o comunicación con miembros de la familia, así como agresiones sexuales y abusos físicos.
21. El 6 de septiembre de 2023, en la Región del Kurdistan de Irak, las autoridades de la ciudad de Erbil detuvieron a dos esteticistas de renombre por travestismo y publicación de imágenes “indecentes” en las redes sociales, respectivamente, hechos que la fiscalía consideraba que perturbaban el “orden de la sociedad”. Quedaron en libertad sin cargos a la semana siguiente, y una de estas personas huyó del país.²⁵

Libertad de expresión y de reunión pacífica

22. Las autoridades iraquíes y del Gobierno Regional del Kurdistan continuaron reforzando su control sobre el espacio cívico con una impunidad casi total por las violaciones de derechos pasadas y presentes. Desde la represión de las protestas antigubernamentales de 2019 conocidas las *protestas de Tishreen* [octubre], en las que las fuerzas de seguridad iraquíes usaron fuerza letal contra manifestantes y llevaron a cabo una campaña de ejecuciones extrajudiciales y desapariciones forzadas, los sucesivos gobiernos de Irak han formado numerosos comités para investigar las violaciones de derechos humanos cometidas en el contexto de las protestas, pero éstos no han servido para que se conozca la verdad o se haga justicia.²⁶
23. Además, las autoridades iraquíes ampliaron su represión en los espacios digitales. En enero de 2023, las autoridades iraquíes llevaron a cabo una campaña para reprimir los “contenidos indecentes” en Internet, que incluyó el procesamiento de personas conocidas por crear contenidos relacionados con la música y el humor.²⁷ Según informaciones de los medios de comunicación, decenas de personas fueron detenidas, acusadas y condenadas a penas de prisión, en aplicación, entre otros, del artículo 403 del Código Penal.
24. En la Región del Kurdistan de Irak, durante el primer trimestre de 2024, Amnistía Internacional documentó la detención o citación de al menos 10 periodistas en relación con su labor periodística. Otros ya están cumpliendo penas de prisión impuestas tras juicios manifiestamente injustos.²⁸ En 2023, Metro Center, una organización que trabaja en la protección de los derechos de los periodistas en la Región del Kurdistan de Irak, registró 37 detenciones de periodistas y 27 incidentes de ataques, amenazas e insultos contra periodistas.

RECOMENDACIONES DE ACTUACIÓN DIRIGIDAS AL ESTADO OBJETO DE EXAMEN

Amnistía Internacional insta al gobierno de Irak, incluido el Gobierno Regional del Kurdistan, a:

Obligaciones internacionales en materia de derechos humanos:

- Ratificar sin reservas el Protocolo Facultativo de la Convención contra la Tortura y Otros Tratos o Penas Crueles, Inhumanos o Degradantes; el Segundo Protocolo Facultativo del Pacto Internacional de Derechos Civiles y Políticos, destinado a abolir la pena de muerte; el Protocolo Facultativo del Pacto Internacional de Derechos Económicos, Sociales y Culturales, y el Estatuto de Roma de la Corte Penal Internacional.

- Revisar y retirar todas las reservas y declaraciones que limitan el ejercicio de los derechos consagrados en la Convención sobre la Eliminación de Todas las Formas de Discriminación contra la Mujer.

Violencia de género en el ámbito familiar

Al Gobierno Regional del Kurdistan:

- Asignar recursos suficientes para la implementación de la Ley de Violencia Doméstica, lo que incluye garantizar que la Dirección de Lucha contra la Violencia contra la Mujer y la Familia reciba fondos suficientes para llevar a cabo su misión y brindar protección efectiva a las sobrevivientes;
- Garantizar que los presuntos autores de violencia de género en el ámbito familiar sean detenidos sin demora, incluso cuando se encuentren fuera del territorio de la Región del Kurdistan de Irak pero en territorio federal iraquí y, si hay indicios suficientes que lo justifiquen, acusarlos y procesarlos en juicios que respeten las normas internacionales de derechos humanos y en los que no pueda imponerse la pena de muerte;
- Eliminar con urgencia los requisitos previos de que las sobrevivientes de violencia de género en el ámbito familiar presenten una denuncia o estén en peligro inminente para poder acceder a los refugios si desean dicha protección, y proporcionársela lo antes posible;
- Poner fin con urgencia a las restricciones arbitrarias a la libertad de las mujeres y las niñas en los refugios, lo que incluye poner fin al requisito de que las sobrevivientes obtengan una orden judicial para abandonar el refugio.

Al gobierno de Irak:

- Derogar los artículos 41.1, 128, 409 y 398 del Código Penal iraquí;²⁹
- Adoptar una ley que proteja a las mujeres y las niñas frente a la violencia de género en el ámbito familiar.

Pena de muerte, derecho a un juicio justo y condiciones de reclusión

- Establecer de inmediato una moratoria oficial de las ejecuciones y conmutar todas las condenas a muerte con miras a abolir la pena capital;
- Revisar los casos de todas las personas que están condenadas a muerte actualmente, con miras a conmutarles la condena o someterlas a un nuevo proceso judicial que sea justo y sin posibilidad de recurrir a la pena de muerte;
- Garantizar la aplicación efectiva de las disposiciones constitucionales y las leyes que prohíben tanto la tortura y otros malos tratos como la admisión en los tribunales de las declaraciones obtenidas mediante tortura;
- Adoptar medidas para mejorar las condiciones de reclusión en los centros de detención de todo Irak, incluido el acceso a una atención médica adecuada, el contacto frecuente con familiares y abogados y el acceso a alimentos y agua potable;
- Garantizar que todos los juicios penales se celebren de conformidad con las normas sobre juicios justos;
- Iniciar una investigación sobre las denuncias de tortura y otros malos tratos, así como sobre las muertes bajo custodia en las cárceles de todo Irak.

Personas internamente desplazadas y cierre de campamentos

- Emitir una declaración pública que deje claro que todas las familias iraquíes tienen derecho a obtener documentación civil independientemente de la presunta vinculación de sus familiares con el Estado Islámico;
- Garantizar que toda la población civil iraquí pueda regresar voluntariamente a su lugar de origen o residencia habitual y no sufra amenazas o acoso por parte de las fuerzas iraquíes, las autoridades tribales, las autoridades locales o las milicias;
- Garantizar que las personas detenidas sobre las que pese una sospecha razonable de haber cometido delitos comunes reconocibles reciban un juicio justo de conformidad con las normas internacionales, sin que pueda imponerse la pena de muerte.

Derechos LGBTI

- Despenalizar las relaciones entre personas del mismo sexo derogando la Ley contra la Prostitución;
- Poner en marcha sin demora investigaciones imparciales y efectivas sobre las denuncias de tortura y otros malos tratos —incluidos asesinatos, secuestros, tortura y violencia sexual contra personas LGBT— y enjuiciar a los presuntos autores en juicios justos que se ajusten a las normas internacionales y en los que no pueda imponerse la pena de muerte;
- Derogar la directiva de la Comisión Iraquí de Comunicaciones y Medios de Comunicación que exige a las plataformas de medios de comunicación sustituir el término “homosexualidad” por “desviación sexual” en sus contenidos impresos y audiovisuales.

Libertad de expresión y de reunión pacífica:

Al Gobierno Regional del Kurdistan:

- Poner fin a los ataques contra el derecho a la libertad de expresión, incluida la libertad de prensa, y poner fin a las detenciones arbitrarias, las palizas y los juicios manifiestamente injustos de periodistas y activistas, con el fin de que las personas responsables respondan de sus actos;
- Retirar todos los cargos y poner en libertad a todas las personas procesadas y condenadas únicamente por ejercer su derecho a la libertad de expresión, y poner en libertad de inmediato a todas las personas encarceladas por dichos cargos.

Al gobierno de Irak:

- Derogar todos los artículos del Código Penal que tipifican como delito la difamación y, cuando proceda, sustituirlos por disposiciones civiles;
- Derogar el artículo 403 del Código Penal, así como todos los artículos relacionados con los insultos;³⁰
- Modificar los artículos del Código Penal relacionados con la incitación de modo que se ajusten a las normas internacionales;
- Retirar todos los cargos y poner en libertad a todas las personas procesadas y condenadas únicamente por ejercer su derecho a la libertad de expresión;
- Garantizar verdad, justicia y reparación para las personas sobrevivientes y familiares de las víctimas de ejecución extrajudicial, lesiones y desaparición forzada durante las protestas de Tishreen;
- Adoptar legislación efectiva que penalice las desapariciones forzadas, e investigar y llevar a los responsables ante la justicia y garantizar reparación a las víctimas, de conformidad con las obligaciones adquiridas por Irak como Estado Parte en la Convención Internacional para la Protección de Todas las Personas contra las Desapariciones Forzadas.

ANNEX 1

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ANNEX 2

MATRIX OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS CYCLE, WITH COMMENTS ON PROGRESS

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
Theme: Acceptance of international norms			
147.15 Accede to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Estonia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 5 – GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Implemented. Iraq acceded to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women on 13 August 1986.
147.19 Ensure the full and practical implementation of the provisions of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, which has been signed by the country (Uzbekistan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 5 – GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 4, 6-7, and 10-12 above.
147.42 Works towards improving its domestic legislation to bring it in to line with its international obligations and international standards (Sri Lanka); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Acceptance of international norms - Constitutional & legislative framework	Not yet implemented. See paras 5-9 above.



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147.81 Accelerate the process of revising the Penal Code, the Code of Criminal Procedure, the personal status act and other national legislation in order to harmonize them with international standards, especially the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, as well as the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (Iceland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Acceptance of international norms - Rights related to marriage & family - Children: definition; general principles; protection - Constitutional & legislative framework - Discrimination against women - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 5 – GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 5-9 above.
147.87 Continue efforts to bring its national legislation in line with its international obligations (Kyrgyzstan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Acceptance of international norms - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 10 – REDUCED INEQUALITIES	Not yet implemented. See paras 5-9 above.
Theme: Equality & non-discrimination			
147.93 Introduce robust and targeted policies to promote gender equality (Malaysia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 – Para.II (a)	Supported	- Equality & non-discrimination - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.94 Strengthen gender equality (Peru); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Equality & non-discrimination - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.102 Put a strategy in place preventing the risk of discrimination, stigmatization and marginalization of internally displaced women and children with alleged Da 'esh affiliation and creating the necessary conditions for their reintegration into Iraqi society (Belgium); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Equality & non-discrimination SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES Affected persons: - Children - Internally displaced persons - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
147.104 Ensure that the ongoing review of domestic laws guarantees gender equality and the rights of women and girls (Ghana); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Equality & non-discrimination - Constitutional & legislative framework - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.105 Adopt laws to combat gender-based violence (Honduras); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Equality & non-discrimination - Violence against women - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework - Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
Theme: Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment			
147.154 Intensify its efforts to eradicate violence against children, women and minorities, and improve protection of the victims of armed conflicts, in particular children, women and girls , who are vulnerable to violence (Mongolia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Violence against women - Children: protection against exploitation - Children: definition; general principles; protection - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - girls - vulnerable persons/groups - Women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - persons affected by armed conflict	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.159 Investigate promptly all allegations of torture and ill-treatment, and facilitate visits by the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment to all detention facilities in Iraq (Norway); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Liberty & security of the person - Cooperation & Follow up with Special Procedures SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.172 Investigate promptly all allegations of torture and ill-treatment and strengthen legislation to ensure due process and trials that fully meet international standards (Canada); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Administration of justice & fair trial SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
Theme: Conditions of detention			
147.140 Continue promoting actions to promote the observance of human rights in prisons (Dominican Republic); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Conditions of detention SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.184 Take further steps to ensure that persons deprived of their liberty are held in supervised places of detention and have access to their families and lawyers, and inform the latter of their fate, whereabouts and legal status (Malta); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Conditions of detention - Administration of justice & fair trial Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
Theme: Administration of justice & fair trial			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.162 Implement concrete measures to ensure an impartial and independent judiciary that effectively deals with the fight against impunity (Spain); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.167 Conduct prompt, independent and effective investigations into the excessive use of force against protesters in the October demonstrations and bring perpetrators to justice, while taking effective measures to prevent the recurrence of such violence, particularly by enhancing human rights training for law enforcement officials (Republic of Korea); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to physical & moral integrity - Impunity & transparency - Human rights education, trainings & awareness raising - Liberty & security of the person - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Right to peaceful assembly - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Law enforcement / police & prison officials	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.176 Ensure independent, transparent and impartial investigations into violence against and killings of civilians in the context of the ongoing protests (Germany); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to life - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.179 Ensure that the right to due process, to a presumption of innocence and to a fair trial, as guaranteed under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, is fully vindicated ; those who are detained must have access to legal advice, and must be given an opportunity to defend themselves (Ireland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.180 Guarantee the right to due process and combat impunity throughout the whole country (Italy); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.181 Conduct prompt, independent and effective investigations into the excessive use of force against protesters resulting in the death of more than 250 people and many more injured in the recent demonstrations, and bring perpetrators to justice (Liechtenstein); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Right to peaceful assembly - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.182 Ensure full accountability and due process for grave human rights violations (Liechtenstein); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented.

Theme: Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.156 Undertake prompt, thorough and impartial investigations into arbitrary killings linked to demonstrations that occurred since 1 October 2019 , as well as into all allegations of torture and other ill-treatment, including enforced disappearances and summary executions, committed on any territory under its jurisdiction (Slovakia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Enforced disappearances - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Disappeared persons - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.185 Fully respect the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and association and to freedom of expression and increase efforts to protect journalists and media workers against any kind of attack or intimidation (Slovakia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Freedom of association - Right to peaceful assembly SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - media	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.
147.186 Put an immediate halt to intimidation and violence targeting journalists, especially during protests (Netherlands); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - media	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.



Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.190 Protect freedom of peaceful assembly, including by properly investigating violence against protesters (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Right to peaceful assembly SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.191 Immediately cease using excessive force against peaceful demonstrators, particularly the unlawful use of tear gas canisters and live ammunition, and hold accountable, in a transparent manner, those responsible for this violence (United States of America); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Right to peaceful assembly - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.201 Uphold and protect the rights to freedom of expression and assembly as guaranteed in Iraq's Constitution and in line with its international commitments, and promptly investigate human rights violations against protesters (Greece); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information - Right to peaceful assembly SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.

Theme: Discrimination against women

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.16 Amend domestic legislation to bring it into compliance with the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Norway); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.
147.17 Maintain efforts towards ensuring full domestic implementation of the provisions of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and align all domestic laws with the human rights instruments to which Iraq is a State party (South Africa); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - Constitutional & legislative framework - Acceptance of international norms - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.
147.97 Amend the nationality act (No. 26 of 2006) to ensure equality of rights between women and men in the acquisition, transfer, retention and change of nationality and to criminalize all forms of domestic violence against women, including forced intimate relations, "crimes of honour" and female genital mutilation (France); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - Violence against women - Rights related to name, identity & nationality SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.108 Review and amend legal provisions, including the Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure, which discriminate against women and girls and cultivate a culture of gender-based violence (Seychelles); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.
147.242 Implement laws and policies to further promote women's political and economic empowerment and combat all forms of discrimination and violence against women, including migrant women (Thailand); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.
147.263 Establish a national institution for women's empowerment with a mandate to monitor the development and implementation of legislation and policies designed to eliminate discrimination and violence against women and girls, and increase their access to rights such as those to work, health and education (Mexico); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women - National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) - Participation of women in political & public life - Right to education SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.
147.264 Take decisive action to change the stereotypes in society about women and girls, and eliminate those practices which serve against their well-being (Mongolia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Discrimination against women SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
Theme: Violence against women			
147.40 Continue efforts to implement operational frameworks focusing on protecting women and children from violence, and establish clear, achievable objectives to enhance the representation and employment of women in governance (Poland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Advancement of women - Right to work and to just & favorable conditions of work & labour rights - Children: protection against exploitation SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Children - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.46 Repeal all provisions of the Penal Code that tolerate domestic violence and gender-based violence and amend said Code to include punishment for rape and sexual aggression (Switzerland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework - Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.58 Ensure the implementation of a national strategy to eliminate violence against women (Russian Federation); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.61 Adopt the draft law on domestic violence in line with international standards, excluding the possibility of the perpetrator of a rape marrying the victim (Belgium); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.66 Adopt and fully implement legislation criminalizing all forms of domestic violence, including by protecting women reporting such cases (Canada); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework - Domestic violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.68 Adopt and implement a law on domestic violence and change the law permitting honour as lawful defence for violence against women (Croatia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.76 Finalize its bill on domestic violence and enact it into law, prohibiting all forms of domestic violence and prescribing appropriate penalties for violations (Fiji); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework - Domestic violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.

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147.80 Adopt a draft law on domestic violence to criminalize all forms of violence against women, including forced intimate relationships (Iceland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.96 Take further measures to promote gender equality, combat gender stereotypes and violence against women and implement targeted measures to increase women's participation in public and political life (Republic of Moldova); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Equality & non-discrimination - Participation of women in political & public life - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.99 Pass and implement legislation which prohibits all forms of gender-based violence (Australia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework - Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.

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147.138 Stem and prevent, in law and in practice, violence against women, gender-based violence and discrimination by, inter alia, passing a comprehensive law on combating domestic violence (Czechia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework - Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence - Domestic violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.148 Further strengthen mechanisms at the national level to prevent and protect all victims of domestic violence (Kyrgyzstan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Domestic violence SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.174 Combat all forms of violence against women, ensuring that those responsible are brought to justice, and that victims have access to comprehensive protection and reparation mechanisms (Ecuador); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.236 Adopt legislation prohibiting gender-based crimes committed in the name of “honour” and criminalizing all forms of female genital mutilation (Portugal); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.



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147.243 Set up a zero-tolerance policy towards gender-based crimes committed in the name of “honour” (Timor-Leste); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY	Not yet implemented. See para 6-7 above.
147.250 Strengthen efforts to fight sexual violence against women and girls, including by changing provisions that protect offenders if they marry their victims (Brazil); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Children: protection against exploitation - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.254 Continue to take measures to combat all forms of violence against women, including by adopting a draft anti-domestic violence law in line with international human rights standards (Latvia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
147.260 Continue the implementation and the national strategy to combat violence against women and to promote protection of women’s rights (Lebanon); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.261 Adopt the already developed draft law on domestic violence to criminalize all forms of violence against women (Liechtenstein); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 6 above.

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147.266 Continue to take necessary measures to ensure the protection of the rights of women and girls (Nepal); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Violence against women - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
Theme: Domestic violence			
147.79 Pass adequate legislation to fight and prevent domestic violence and create safe houses for women in all provinces of Iraq (Germany); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Domestic violence - Violence against women - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 11 - SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.151 Continue its efforts against domestic violence , including through the enactment of laws (Pakistan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Domestic violence - Violence against women - Children: family environment and alternative care - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Children - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.
Theme: Rights related to name, identity & nationality			

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147.100 Halt the practice of arbitrary confiscation or non-issuance of identity documents of individuals in internally displaced persons camps and ensure that they can voluntarily and safely return to their places of origin or habitual residence (Austria); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Rights related to name, identity & nationality - Equality & non-discrimination - Freedom of movement SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Internally displaced persons	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
Theme: Scope of international obligations			
147.37 Continue to align the adoption of draft laws with the relevant conventions on combating torture and enforced disappearance (Oman); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Scope of international obligations - Constitutional & legislative framework - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Disappeared persons - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16, 17 and 22 above.
147.257 Strengthen efforts to prevent and combat all forms of discrimination and violence against women, in particular by fully implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and taking further measures to eradicate female genital mutilation and child early and forced marriage (Italy); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Scope of international obligations - Violence against women - Children: protection against exploitation - Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - girls - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
Theme: National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas)			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.64 Renew the national plan for human rights (Egypt); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Implemented. See para 2 above.
147.67 Continue to implement the current national human rights plan and to formulate a new one (China); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented.
147.86 Continue efforts aiming at promoting the national plans for human rights (Jordan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented.
147.88 Renew the implementation of the national human rights plan, including the establishment of the High Commission for Human Rights (Lebanon); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) - Legal, institutional & policy framework - National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Implemented. See para 2 above.

Theme: International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide)

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147.101 Provide guarantees for the protection of women and children during conflict, end impunity and take measures to end discrimination faced by displaced women, survivors and returnees, including those with perceived ties to Da 'esh (Austria); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Violence against women - Children: protection against exploitation - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Children - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18.
147.134 Deepen all measures aimed at achieving respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for the entire population, and investigating and punishing the perpetrators of violations of international humanitarian law and international human rights law (Argentina); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Impunity & transparency - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Transitional justice SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented.
Theme: Human rights & counter-terrorism			
147.133 Continue to address the challenges posed by internal displacement resulting from the ISIS terrorist organization (Syrian Arab Republic); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Human rights & counter-terrorism - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) Affected persons: - Internally displaced persons	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
Theme: Civil & political rights			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.171 Ensure full respect for all fair trial and due process guarantees enshrined in article 14 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Belgium); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Civil & political rights - Administration of justice & fair trial SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16.
147.152 Continue with the drafting of legislation aimed at preventing torture and curbing enforced disappearances, with the aim of bringing it in line with international obligations (Malta); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to physical & moral integrity - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Constitutional & legislative framework - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Disappeared persons	Not yet implemented.
147.90 Pass the bill on domestic violence expeditiously, and raise awareness of the legislation's key provisions among all relevant stakeholders, including women, men, law enforcement officials, religious leaders and civil society so as to ensure its effective implementation (Singapore); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Liberty & security of the person - Violence against women - Right to physical & moral integrity - Human rights education, trainings & awareness raising - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Civil society - Law enforcement / police & prison officials - Women	Not yet implemented. See para 7 above.

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147.284 Improve the reintegration and protection of members of ethnic and religious minority groups, and those displaced by conflict, and ensure access to public services, including the issuance of identity documentation (United States of America); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to participate in public affairs & right to vote - Equality & non-discrimination SDGs: - 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
Theme: Death penalty			
147.124 Address the breadth of the definition of terrorism and ensure that any existing or new counter-terrorism legislation is fully compliant with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and that measures taken to combat terrorism are fully compatible with the Covenant (North Macedonia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Death penalty - Human rights & counter-terrorism - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.132 Limit capital punishment to the most serious crimes and reform anti-terrorist legislation so as to guarantee a fair trial for the accused (Switzerland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Death penalty - Human rights & counter-terrorism - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
Theme: Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.45 Increase efforts to combat sexual and gender-based violence, in line with the national strategy, including criminalizing domestic violence (Sweden); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Sexual & other forms of gender-based violence - Violence against women - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI) - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.

Theme: Enforced disappearances

147.157 Take action to investigate all instances of disappearances and death of human rights activists, and to bring perpetrators to justice (Netherlands); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Enforced disappearances - Liberty & security of the person - Right to effective remedy & reparations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Disappeared persons	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.169 Intensify efforts to investigate cases of enforced disappearances through the creation of a public and centralized registry of missing persons to which families, relatives and community members could contribute (Argentina); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1	Supported	- Enforced disappearances - Administration of justice & fair trial - Legal, institutional & policy framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.

Theme: Right to peaceful assembly

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.161 Uphold and respect the freedom of expression and peaceful assembly and hold accountable the perpetrators of all violations in relation to the excessive use of violence as well as the use of lethal weapons against demonstrators (Slovenia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.
147.173 Cease and thoroughly investigate the use of excessive force by security forces and any other armed actors during the recent protests, including the killing of protesters, and ensure perpetrators are accountable (Canada); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Right to physical & moral integrity - Impunity & transparency - Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to life - Liberty & security of the person - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.

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147.200 Facilitate the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and protect protesters, including by ensuring that only security forces trained in the proper management of assemblies are deployed and that these are held accountable for any use of excessive force against protesters (Czechia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Human rights education, trainings & awareness raising - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.202 Adopt measures to protect freedom of assembly and association, in particular ensuring investigations in to the cases of violence that have occurred during the ongoing demonstrations within the country (Italy); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Freedom of association - Administration of justice & fair trial SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.203 Promote effective reform measures by the Government, the legislature and the judiciary while respecting the constitutionally guaranteed freedom of peaceful demonstration and giving due regard to the requests of the peaceful protesters (Japan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Legal, institutional & policy framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.205 Guarantee respect for the rights to peaceful assembly and freedom of expression, including removing the blocking of social media (Estonia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Right to peaceful assembly - Freedom of opinion & expression & right to information SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - media	Not yet implemented. See paras 22-24 above.

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Theme: Freedom of association			
147.189 Respect the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association, investigate all alleged cases of excessive use of force and bring those responsible to justice (Switzerland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of association - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Right to peaceful assembly - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 22 above.
147.297 Provide protection and ensure the rights of all displaced persons, regardless of perceived political affiliations (Norway); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Freedom of association - Equality & non-discrimination - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) SDGs: - 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES Affected persons: - Internally displaced persons	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
Theme: Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation			
147.221 Grant and facilitate access to basic services such as civil documentation, welfare, health care and education to all Iraqi citizens (Germany); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation - Right to health - Right to social security - Right to education SDGs: - 1 - NO POVERTY - 11 - SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
Theme: Advancement of women			



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147.251 Continue to promote and protect the rights of women (Brunei Darussalam); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Advancement of women - Equality & non-discrimination - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.258 Take further action to promote and protect the rights of women and children, including those who suffer from conflict situations (Japan); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Advancement of women - Human rights & poverty - Children: definition; general principles; protection - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) Affected persons: - Children - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 17-18 above.
147.272 To take further measures to protect the rights of women and children (China); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (a)	Supported	- Advancement of women - Children: definition; general principles; protection - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Children - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7, 10-12 and 17-18 above.
Theme: Equality & non-discrimination			

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147.109 Take steps to investigate and end violence against, and killings of, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (Malta); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (c)	Supported/Noted	- Equality & non-discrimination - Impunity & transparency - Right to life - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not yet implemented. See paras 19-21.
Theme: Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment			
147.155 Prohibit corporal punishment explicitly in all settings, and ensure that laws prohibiting corporal punishment are implemented (Montenegro); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (c)	Supported/Noted	- Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Children: family environment and alternative care - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16.
Theme: Administration of justice & fair trial			



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147.170 Ensure that all reports of human rights violations and abuses, including those against women and girls, against ethnic and religious minorities and on the basis of sexual orientation, are fully investigated and prosecuted (Australia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (c)	Supported/Noted	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Freedom of thought, conscience & religion - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Children - Women - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	Not yet implemented. See paras 10-12 and 19-21 above.
147.178 Investigate and end violence against and killings of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons and develop and implement public awareness campaigns directed at changing harmful attitudes towards lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (Iceland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (c)	Supported/Noted	- Administration of justice & fair trial - Equality & non-discrimination - Human rights education, trainings & awareness raising - Right to life - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not yet implemented. See paras 19-21 above.
Theme: Acceptance of international norms			



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147.8 Sign and ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Slovenia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.9 Accede to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court soon (Honduras); Accede to and fully align its national legislation with the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Estonia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Administration of justice & fair trial - Constitutional & legislative framework - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.10 Bolster accountability for the gravest crimes by acceding to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Czechia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Administration of justice & fair trial - Right to effective remedy & reparations - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.



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147.11 Consider acceding to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Peru); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Administration of justice & fair trial - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) SDGs: - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.12 Consider acceding to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court of 1998 and the first Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Poland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.13 Adopt measures to guarantee the requirement of responsibility for violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law, including accession to the Rome Statute (Spain); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Transitional justice - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.

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147.22 Accede to the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (Togo) (Estonia) (Ukraine) (Uruguay); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Constitutional & legislative framework - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.23 Consider ratifying the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment at its earliest convenience (Ghana); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment - Scope of international obligations Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
147.25 Accede to the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Togo) (Ukraine) (Uruguay); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Death penalty - Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 4 and 13-16 above.

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147.27 Consider acceding to the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Mongolia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 4 and 13-16 above.
147.30 Consider signing and ratifying the Protocol additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the protection of non-international armed conflicts (Switzerland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Not yet implemented.
147.33 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Honduras); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Acceptance of international norms SDGs: - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Not yet implemented.
Theme: Legal, institutional & policy framework			
147.122 Establish an official moratorium on executions that, in conformity with international human rights law, commutes all death sentences with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Portugal); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Legal, institutional & policy framework - Right to physical & moral integrity - Acceptance of international norms SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See paras 4 and 13-16 above.
Theme: Equality & non-discrimination			

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.103 Take any additional measures that are useful for combating discrimination against women, in accordance with the relevant provisions of articles 2 and 16 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Senegal); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Equality & non-discrimination - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.110 Develop and implement public awareness campaigns aimed at changing stereotypes and harmful and violent attitudes with regard to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (Mexico); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Equality & non-discrimination - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	Not yet implemented. See paras 19-21 above.

Theme: Right to social security

147.149 Abolish the death penalty and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Estonia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Right to social security - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Death penalty - Acceptance of international norms - Scope of international obligations SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 4 and 13-16 above.
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Theme: Scope of international obligations

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.6 Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Timor-Leste); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - International criminal & humanitarian law (including crimes against humanity, war crimes, genocide) - Acceptance of international norms SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.7 Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Austria) (France) (Liechtenstein); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Acceptance of international norms SDGs: - 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Not yet implemented. See para 4 above.
147.14 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Greece); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 6-7 and 10-12 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.18 Withdraw the reservations made to Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, in order to repeal all discriminatory laws and practices and guarantee equality in all matters related to family and marital relations; and repeal the legal provisions under which rapists who marry their victims are forgiven (Uruguay); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Rights related to marriage & family - Reservations - Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 4, 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.20 Withdraw the reservations made to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, which urges States to repeal all discriminatory laws and practices and guarantee equality in all matters related to the family (Chile); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Rights related to marriage & family - Reservations - Acceptance of international norms - Discrimination against women SDGs: - 5 - GENDER EQUALITY - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Women	Not yet implemented. See paras 4, 6-7 and 10-12 above.
147.21 Ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel , Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (Spain) (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Hungary) (Denmark); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Acceptance of international norms - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.



Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.24 Step up efforts to combat impunity for acts of torture, including by ratifying the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and ensuring that all confessions obtained through torture are inadmissible in court (Czechia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Scope of international obligations - Right to effective remedy & reparations - Constitutional & legislative framework - Acceptance of international norms - Prohibition of torture & cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-16 above.
Theme: Death penalty			
147.125 Establish an immediate moratorium on the death penalty with a view to its abolition (Norway) ; Establish an official moratorium on executions and commute all death sentences with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Republic of Moldova) ; Establish a moratorium on the application of the death penalty and repeal articles 110 and 111 of the Islamic penal code (France); Establish a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to its abolition (Albania); Establish a formal moratorium on the death penalty, as a step towards its complete abolition (Australia); Establish an official moratorium on the application of the death penalty with a view to its abolition (Chile); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Right to physical & moral integrity - Legal, institutional & policy framework Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.126 Introduce a moratorium on the death penalty in order to abolish capital punishment, which would allow Iraq to become a party to the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights , aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Poland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Right to physical & moral integrity - Legal, institutional & policy framework Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.127 Halt all executions and establish a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to abolishing capital punishment (Slovenia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Right to physical & moral integrity - Legal, institutional & policy framework Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.128 Adopt legislative reforms to restrict the death penalty to the most serious crimes, which would imply progress towards the abolition of the death penalty (Spain); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Right to physical & moral integrity - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.129 Continue to protect the historical heritage of the country and eliminate the death penalty for some crimes related to the theft, purchase and sale of antiques (Spain); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Right to physical & moral integrity - Cultural rights - Legal, institutional & policy framework Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.131 Immediately introduce a moratorium on the death penalty, as a first step toward its abolition (Sweden); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.135 Abolish the death penalty, and, as a first step, adopt an immediate moratorium on executions (Belgium); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.136 Establish a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to its abolition alongside ratification of the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Croatia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.137 Recommend as an initial step the reduction of the number of offences punishable by death (Cyprus); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.139 Reintroduce a moratorium on the use of the death penalty as a first step towards its abolition (Denmark); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.

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147.141 Consider a moratorium on the death penalty with a view to abolishing it (Latvia); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.142 Reduce the number of crimes punishable by death as a first step to an overall moratorium and eventually the abolition of the death penalty (Germany); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.143 Establish a moratorium on executions with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Greece); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.144 Implement a moratorium on all executions, with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Iceland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.

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147.146 Establish a moratorium on executions and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Ireland); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.147 Take into consideration the possibility of introducing a de facto moratorium on the death penalty with a view to its abolition (Italy); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.150 Immediately establish an official moratorium on executions and commute all death sentences with a view to abolishing the death penalty (Liechtenstein); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Legal, institutional & policy framework - Liberty & security of the person SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.
147.153 Establish a moratorium on the use of the death penalty for conduct that does not constitute the most serious offences, such as drug trafficking or terrorism, when no intentional killing is involved (Mexico); Source of Position: A/HRC/43/14/Add.1 - Para.II (b)	Noted	- Death penalty - Human rights & counter-terrorism - Constitutional & legislative framework SDGs: - 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS Affected persons: - Persons deprived of their liberty & detainees	Not yet implemented. See paras 13-14 above.

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