

# RUSSIAN FEDERATION: DARK TIMES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

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### SUMMARY

This submission was prepared for the fourth Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the Russian Federation on 13 November 2023. In it, Amnesty International evaluates the implementation of recommendations made to Russia in its previous UPR, including in relation to counterextremism and counterterrorism legislation, domestic violence and social security.

It also assesses the national human rights framework with regard to the recent amendments to the Constitution, further criminalization of free expression, new legislation targeting civil society organizations and other issues.

With regard to the human rights situation on the ground, Amnesty International raises concern about violations of freedoms of expression, association, peaceful assembly, conscience and religion, use of torture and other ill-treatment and persecution of LGBTI persons. It ends with a set of recommendations to Russia which, if implemented, would contribute to improving the human rights situation.

## FOLLOW UP TO THE PREVIOUS REVIEW

1. Since the last review in 2018,<sup>1</sup> Russia's record on the rights to freedom of expression, association, peaceful assembly, and religion and belief has continued to worsen, a trend ongoing since Russia's first review in 2009.<sup>2</sup> Recommendations to address these problems in practice and in the constitutional and legislative framework, including some partially accepted,<sup>3</sup> were not implemented. This has included progressive restriction of free media and of access to information online, persecution of all dissent, and severe reprisals against political and civic activists and NGOs.<sup>4</sup>
2. Contrary to numerous recommendations,<sup>5</sup> the scope of application of counterextremism and counterterrorism legislation was vastly expanded, and relevant penalties increased overall to crackdown on peaceful political opposition, investigative journalists, bloggers, critics of the government and certain peaceful religious groups (see paras. 13 and section on freedom of expression below).
3. The many recommendations<sup>6</sup> to adopt legislation on domestic violence and protect its survivors were not implemented. The 2019 bill on domestic violence remains stalled.<sup>7</sup>
4. Russia partly implemented recommendations concerning social security<sup>8</sup> by ratifying parts of the 1952 ILO Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention (No. 102) in 2019.<sup>9</sup> It also partly implemented some recommendations on measures against discrimination against women:<sup>10</sup> it retained the list of "prohibited professions" for women, but reduced it from 456 to 100 professions in 2021.<sup>11</sup>
5. In violation of its human rights obligations, Russia accepted — and in effect implemented — the non-human rights compliant recommendation to "[c]ontinue to provide support to the traditional family and contribute to international efforts in the promotion and preservation of traditional ethical and family values,"<sup>12</sup> including by making a discriminative amendment to the Constitution (see para. 7) and employing the narrative on "traditional values" and "traditional family" to resist adopting domestic violence legislation, suppress calls for protection of women's rights, advance homophobic legislation and practice (see paras. 15 and 30) and to attempt to undermine international protections for gender rights in international forums such as the UN.<sup>13</sup>
6. Russia has not implemented supported<sup>14</sup> and partially supported<sup>15</sup> recommendations relating to the facilitation of international observers to areas of Ukraine (including illegally occupied Crimea) and of Georgia. Regrettably, it merely noted other still pertinent recommendations relating to international humanitarian law<sup>16</sup>, including to end its illegal occupation of Crimea. In February 2022, Russia further invaded Ukraine, committing the crime of aggression.<sup>17</sup> Since then, Russia has announced the annexation of four Ukrainian regions, killed thousands of civilians in Ukraine and Russian forces have committed war crimes and other crimes under international law with impunity.<sup>18</sup>

## THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS FRAMEWORK

7. 2020 Constitutional amendments stipulate that "decisions of interstate bodies" shall not be "subject to enforcement in the Russian Federation" if they run counter to the Constitution;<sup>19</sup> and further undermine the independence of the judiciary to the detriment of the right to a fair trial.<sup>20 21</sup> The amendments also define marriage as "a union between a man and a woman"<sup>22</sup>, thus enforcing discrimination against same-sex marriage.
8. In March 2022, Russia was excluded from the Council of Europe (COE) and, simultaneously, announced that it was leaving the organization. In June, it unilaterally decided not to implement decisions of the European Court of Human Rights.<sup>23</sup> In September 2022, it ceased to be a party to the European Convention on Human Rights<sup>24</sup>. Russia has also decided to leave other COE conventions.<sup>25</sup>

9. Undue legislative restrictions on the right to freedom of peaceful assembly were repeatedly further increased. The recent changes prohibited certain groups of people, including foreign nationals, stateless people, those designated “foreign agents” etc., from organizing assemblies; banned public assemblies in many areas, including near any governmental buildings, and on the grounds of educational and healthcare institutions; empowered authorities to unilaterally change place and time of protests. There are no legal provisions for spontaneous protests.<sup>26</sup>
10. National legislation contains provisions that effectively penalize realization of the right to freedom of peaceful assembly. Under the Code of Administrative Offences, a participant or organizer of a peaceful protest may face serious fines or detention for up to 30 days for various infringements of the unduly restrictive regulations, however minor or nominal.<sup>27</sup> Repeated “violations” are criminalized and punishable by up to five years’ imprisonment.<sup>28</sup>
11. National legislation related to freedom of expression has been revised many times, consistently introducing new undue restrictions or harsher punishments. In 2020, criminal sanctions for libel were considerably increased, to up to five years’ imprisonment.<sup>29</sup> In 2019, Russian authorities prohibited and, in 2020, criminalized “dissemination of knowingly false information”.<sup>30</sup> In March 2022, following Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine, criminal liability for “dissemination of knowingly false information about the use of the Russian Armed Forces” was introduced, with a maximum penalty of 15 years’ imprisonment<sup>31</sup>, while “discreditation of the Russian Armed Forces” was made an administrative<sup>32</sup> and criminal<sup>33</sup> offence, with a maximum penalty of five years’ imprisonment.
12. In one positive legislative development concerning the right to freedom of expression, some “extremism” offences were partially decriminalized in 2018.<sup>34</sup> Yet, other similar “offences” (such as “demonstration of extremist symbols”) were criminalized.<sup>35</sup> Relevant definitions are very broad, vague and open for abusive interpretation.
13. New legislation on “foreign agents” passed in 2019 introduced the notion of “individual foreign agents” and “unregistered NGOs–foreign agents”.<sup>36</sup> Together with new laws passed in 2022,<sup>37</sup> these changes further broadened the definition of a “foreign agent”, allowing for its arbitrary application and severely restricting the right to freedom of expression and freedom of association. NGOs, media outlets and individuals arbitrarily targeted by the Russian authorities via their designation as “foreign agents” are prohibited from taking public offices, supporting election campaigns, teaching and many other activities; they have extensive reporting requirements and must mark all their publications, regardless of their topic, with special notifications stating that the author is a “foreign agent”. The legislation also has a serious chilling effect on human rights defenders, activists, journalists and civil society organizations.
14. Domestic legislation related to “undesirable organizations”<sup>38</sup> remains in effect and continues to seriously hinder the right to freedom of association. Amendments to the Criminal Code in 2021<sup>39</sup> and 2022<sup>40</sup> have made it easier for authorities to prosecute individuals for the “crime” of cooperation with such organizations, with increased maximum sanction of six years’ imprisonment.
15. Homophobic legislation adopted in 2022 prohibits “propaganda of non-traditional sexual relations and (or) preferences, sex change” as an administrative offence.<sup>41</sup>

## THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION ON THE GROUND

16. Since the last review, and especially from 2021, the human rights situation has significantly deteriorated. The crackdown on all dissent, including government critics, human rights defenders, independent media and other elements of the civil society has become even harsher since February 2022, following Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

## Freedom of expression

17. Russian authorities use counterextremist and counterterrorist legislation, “high treason” and other charges to clamp down on those expressing dissenting views. In 2021, Russian authorities arrested Aleksei Navalny, a prominent political activist and government critic, and have since charged him and his associates with numerous politically motivated charges, ranging from fraud to “extremism”.<sup>42</sup>
18. Authorities used “fake news” legislation to prosecute individuals and media for their criticism of their response to the Covid-19 pandemic.<sup>43</sup> Under the newly introduced “crimes” of “discreditation of the Armed Forces” and “dissemination of knowingly false information” about them, authorities clamped down on critics of Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine and of war crimes and other violations committed by the Russian forces. Approximately 4,500 individuals have been fined under administrative proceedings or expressing opposition to the war as of February 2023, and over 180 prosecuted under criminal proceedings for the same “offence” or for contradicting or disputing official information about the war.<sup>44</sup> Cultural workers, celebrities and ordinary individuals who have spoken out against the war face politically motivated dismissals, designation as “foreign agents” and other forms of persecution.<sup>45</sup> As of March 2023, more than 250 individuals have been arbitrarily designated as “foreign agents” in an apparent retribution for their criticism of the authorities or journalistic work.
19. Leading independent news outlets have been stripped of their licenses,<sup>46</sup> declared “foreign agents”<sup>47</sup> and/or “undesirable organizations”<sup>48</sup> or faced threats of retribution for publishing critical information about the government, especially for covering the war. Independent media workers are routinely harassed, arbitrarily arrested and tortured and otherwise ill-treated by security forces, including while reporting from protests, with complete impunity.<sup>49</sup>
20. Critics of local authorities in Chechnya have been arbitrarily arrested and forcibly disappeared, with impunity. In 2020, blogger Salman Tepsurkaev, moderator of a Telegram channel critical of Chechnya’s head Ramzan Kadyrov, was abducted from his home in Krasnodar Krai, tortured<sup>50</sup> and, according to his colleagues, killed by law enforcement officials in Chechnya.<sup>51</sup> In 2022, Zarema Musaeva, mother of Chechen human rights defender Abubakar Yangulbaev, was arbitrarily arrested Nizhny Novgorod by Chechen police officers, brought to Chechnya and falsely charged with attacking one of these officers, in apparent retribution for her son’s work.<sup>52</sup>

## Freedom of association and human rights defenders

21. Similarly to its use against free media, legislation on “foreign agents” and “undesirable organizations” is used ever more extensively against domestic and international NGOs working in or on Russia as well as informal groups and individual human rights defenders. Russian authorities cited violations of the “foreign agent” legislation to arbitrarily shut down Memorial, the country’s oldest human rights organization, in 2021.<sup>53</sup> In 2023, they arbitrarily liquidated Moscow Helsinki Group, another old and well-known human rights association, for purported infringements of NGO laws.<sup>54</sup> Many other human rights groups were forced to shut down or leave Russia under pressure from authorities.
22. Opposition political groups are arbitrarily banned as “extremist”, like Aleksei Navalny’s Anti-Corruption Foundation<sup>55</sup>, or “undesirable”, like Open Russia movement,<sup>56</sup> or targeted with criminal sanctions for purportedly “undermining citizens’ rights”, like Vesna youth group.<sup>57</sup> In some cases, authorities used counterterrorism legislation to prosecute human rights defenders under trumped-up charges, like Bakhrom Khamroev who was accused of involvement with Hizb ut-Tahrir,<sup>58</sup> a group which Russian authorities have designated as “terrorist”.
23. In 2019, Oyub Titiyev, head of Memorial’s office in Chechnya, was sentenced to four years’ imprisonment on fabricated drug-related charges.<sup>59</sup> Meanwhile, crimes against human rights activists, including the murder in 2009 of Titiyev’s predecessor Svetlana Estemirova, remain unsolved.<sup>60</sup>

## Freedom of assembly

24. Russian authorities use both old and new laws to further undermine the right to freedom of assembly. Anti-Covid-19 measures are often cited as a pretext to ban protests while pro-government rallies and non-political events are permitted. Reliant on the notification procedure, the authorities arbitrarily refuse permission for public assemblies. “Unauthorized” peaceful protests, even solitary pickets, are regarded illegal and often brutally dispersed by police, their participants often arrested and severely penalized with detention and fines. Violations by police remain uninvestigated and unaddressed.<sup>61</sup> More than 47,000 protesters were arrested in 2018–2022, at least 38,000 of them in the last two years,<sup>62</sup> including with the use of mass surveillance and facial recognition technologies to identify individuals.
25. Those arrested are usually given serious fines or detention (so-called administrative arrest). Some peaceful protesters face charges and lengthy prison terms under Article 212.1 of the Criminal Code (“repeated violations of the established procedure of organizing or holding public events”), their “violations” being nominal infringements of the overly restrictive legislation or resulting from arbitrary enforcement of the vaguely worded, ambiguous legislation.<sup>63</sup> Activists are targeted with punitive civil lawsuits by government bodies or government-friendly companies and ordered to pay huge, unjustified sums to cover purported “losses” associated with rallies (such as temporary loss or earnings by a restaurant) or reimburse costs of policing.<sup>64</sup>

## Freedom of religion and belief

26. In 2017, the Supreme Court arbitrarily designated Jehovah’s Witnesses an “extremist organization.” The authorities have since targeted individual Jehovah’s Witnesses with arbitrary arrests, torture and other ill-treatment and lengthy prison sentences, for their religious beliefs. Approximately 120 Jehovah’s Witnesses reportedly remained incarcerated at the end of 2022.<sup>65</sup>

## Torture and other ill-treatment

27. Torture and other ill-treatment in penitentiary institutions remains pervasive. Beatings and humiliation of “non-cooperative” inmates by members of penitentiary personnel or other cellmates under their acquiescence are commonplace, as are sleep deprivation, denial of medical required help, and arbitrary disciplinary punishments such as prolonged confinement in inhumane conditions.<sup>66</sup>
28. Impunity for torture perpetrators is near total. Law enforcement bodies routinely arbitrarily refuse to investigate torture complaints. Formal investigations, when opened, are unjustifiably slow. In rare cases of conviction, perpetrators often receive lenient sentences. In a resonant, widely reported case, 12 prison guards from the Corrective Colony 1 (IK-1) in Yaroslavl were sentenced to prison for the video-documented beating of Evgeny Makarov, but the acting warden and his deputy were acquitted.<sup>67</sup>
29. Forced “confessions” are commonplace, increasingly so in “terrorism”-related cases and criminal cases against street protesters. Courts almost invariably admit such “confessions” as incriminating evidence. In politically motivated cases, videos of self-incriminating testimonies are sometimes posted online. Thus, in 2022, poet Artyom Kamardin was arbitrarily arrested for publishing a pro-Ukrainian poem, beaten and allegedly raped, and forced “to apologize” on camera.<sup>68</sup>

## Discrimination against LGBTI people

30. Discrimination against and persecution of LGBTI people in Russia continues, including through hefty fines, discriminatory dismissals and harassment. The widely reported and well-documented campaign of abduction and enforced disappearance, secret detention, torture and, in some cases, unlawful killings of men believed to be gay, in Chechnya in 2017, has never been formally investigated and no-one brought to justice. In 2022, bookstores<sup>69</sup> and video streaming services<sup>70</sup> were forced to remove LGBTI-related content. A rare positive development was the acquittal in 2022 of an LGBTI and feminist activist Yulia Tsvetkova on “pornography” charges, following years of harassment.<sup>71</sup>

## War crimes

31. Supported by credible evidence, Amnesty International has documented war crimes committed with impunity by Russian forces following their invasion of Ukraine,<sup>72</sup> including the bombing of the drama theatre in Mariupol that was known to provide shelter to hundreds of civilians.<sup>73</sup>

# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION BY THE STATE UNDER REVIEW

## Amnesty International calls on the Russian authorities to:

### Freedom of expression

32. Repeal articles of the Criminal Code and the Code of Administrative Offences that prohibit and penalize “discreditation of the Armed Forces”, “dissemination of knowingly false information” and other forms of protected speech.
33. Revise “counterextremist”, “counterterrorist” and “high treason” legislation to ensure that it does not use overly broad or vague language open to abusive interpretation and end its use to target government critics and release and clear of all charges all those wrongfully imprisoned or fined under such legislation and provide them with adequate reparation.
34. Decriminalize libel.
35. End the prosecution of Aleksei Navalny and immediately and unconditionally release him, his associates and everyone who has been deprived of liberty solely for their exercise of the right to freedom of expression, including criticism of war of aggression against Ukraine.
36. Ensure effective, impartial and transparent investigation of all cases of arbitrary arrest, torture and other ill-treatment, enforced disappearance and unlawful killing in Chechnya and elsewhere, and bring those responsible to account in fair trial proceedings.

### Freedom of association and human rights defenders

37. Repeal all legislation on “foreign agents” and “undesirable organizations,” and end all harassment of civil society organizations.
38. Stop the campaign to liquidate, harass and persecute human rights groups and other civil society organizations, reinstate registration of those unlawfully liquidated and return their confiscated property.

### Freedom of assembly

39. Abolish the excessive restrictions on public assemblies introduced during the Covid-19 pandemic.
40. Bring legislation governing public assemblies and relevant policing practice in line with Russia’s human rights obligations, including by lifting all undue restrictions on organizers and places of public assemblies, and allowing for spontaneous peaceful protest, and ensuring that law enforcement agencies do not use unnecessary or excessive force when dealing with public assemblies and face justice when they do so.
41. Ensure, in law and practice, that only recognizable offences clearly defined in law are penalized, and that penalties for any such offences are fully compliant with Russia’s international human rights obligations, including by decriminalizing “repeated violations of the established procedure of organizing or holding public events”.

**Freedom of religion and belief**

42. Stop the persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses, immediately and unconditionally release all individuals detained solely for practising their religion and provide them with adequate reparation.

**Torture and other ill-treatment**

43. Ensure effective, impartial and transparent investigations into all reports of torture or other ill-treatment, bring those responsible for all such violations to account in fair trial proceedings, and ensure full and adequate reparation for their victims.

**Discrimination of LGBTI people**

44. Repeal all homophobic legislation, including penalization of "propaganda of non-traditional sexual relations and (or) preferences, sex change".

**International cooperation**

45. Cooperate fully with international and regional human rights and international justice mechanisms, including the International Criminal Court.

## ANNEX 1

### KEY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR FURTHER REFERENCE

All of Amnesty International's documentation of human rights violations committed by Russian officials and forces, both within Russia and in the context of the war against Ukraine can be accessed on our Russia country page: [amnesty.org/en/search/?qcategory=1149&qlocation=1995](https://www.amnesty.org/en/search/?qcategory=1149&qlocation=1995)

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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
<b>Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms</b>			
147.56 Adopt a comprehensive law against gender violence and ratify the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (the Istanbul Convention), and advance in the recognition and implementation of the women and peace and security agenda (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported /Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence E32 Right to just and favourable conditions of work F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.109 Investigate cases of enforced disappearance, particularly in the North Caucasus, and ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Supported /Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D32 Enforced disappearances <b>Affected persons:</b> - disappeared persons	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 20, 30
147.112 Strengthen measures aimed at investigating allegations of enforced disappearances in the North Caucasus and ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Argentina); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Supported /Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms D32 Enforced disappearances D33 Arbitrary arrest and detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - disappeared persons	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 20, 30
<b>Theme: A24 Cooperation with special procedures</b>			
147.32 Cooperate fully with international human rights monitoring mechanisms, including United Nations Special Rapporteurs, and ensure their unrestricted access throughout the Russian Federation and to the illegally annexed Crimea in order to fulfil its obligation as an occupying force to guarantee the protection of human rights (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported /Noted	A24 Cooperation with special procedures <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - persons affected by armed conflict	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
<b>Theme: A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</b>			
147.53 Take measures to review existing legislation to be in line with international human rights obligations and foster an enabling environment for civil society (Austria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A61 Cooperation with civil society <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
147.89 Adopt anti-discrimination legislation encompassing all forms of discrimination and take measures to significantly reduce domestic violence (Germany); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.121 Criminalize domestic violence and abolish the list of "prohibited professions", in order not to restrict the employment rights of women (Paraguay); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence E31 Right to work F12 Discrimination against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See paras. 3, 4

Recommendation	Position	Full list of themes	Assessment/comments on level of implementation
147.122 Strengthen measures to combat domestic violence, in particular gender-based violence, including through the adoption and implementation of specific legislation to ensure that cases of domestic violence are investigated and prosecuted (Rwanda); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.165 Take all the necessary measures in order to respect the right to freedom of assembly, in line with its international obligations, including by repealing article 212.1 of the Criminal Code or by aligning it with international standards (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
147.194 Revise the so-called “foreign agent” law and take all the necessary steps to ensure that civil society organizations, including the media, can exercise their activities without fear of stigmatization or punishment by law (Netherlands); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
<b>Theme: B11 International humanitarian law</b>			
147.307 Use its influence to facilitate unimpeded access by international observers to Crimea, eastern Ukraine and the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and South Ossetia (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported /Noted	B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
<b>Theme: B51 Right to an effective remedy</b>			
147.157 Refrain from detaining participants of peaceful demonstrations and ensure that police officers who use excessive force against protesters are held accountable (Sweden); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	B51 Right to an effective remedy D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - persons deprived of their liberty	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 24
<b>Theme: B52 Impunity</b>			
147.150 End impunity for attacks on journalists and human rights activists, and ensure space for civil society and opposition politicians to operate without fear of reprisals (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 16–25
<b>Theme: D29 Domestic violence</b>			
147.245 Develop a comprehensive framework for the elimination of sexual and domestic violence against women and children (Cyprus); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported /Noted	D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion</b>			
147.199 Uphold the rights to freedom of conscience and religion by refraining from outlawing religious groups as “extremist” solely for the peaceful practice of their religious beliefs, such as has happened with Jehovah’s Witnesses (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 26
<b>Theme: D43 Freedom of opinion and expression</b>			
147.161 Take the measures necessary to guarantee the full enjoyment of freedom of expression, in particular freedom of the press, and put an end to restrictions on access to some resources online (Luxembourg); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 17–19
147.124 Ensure the protection of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights across the Russian Federation, including by investigating ongoing persecution of human rights activists and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals in Chechnya (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported /Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30

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<b>Theme: D45 Freedom of association</b>			
147.183 Ensure the unrestricted work of civil society and repeal the “foreign agents” law as well as the law on “undesirable organizations” (Czechia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14, 18, 19, 21, 22
147.188 Revise the laws on “foreign agents” and “undesirable organizations” to ensure that NGOs and media organizations can exercise their legitimate activities in line with international law and human rights standards (Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14, 18, 19, 21, 22
147.181 Take measures to enlarge the space for civil society, in particular to review relevant legal provisions (Republic of Korea); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported /Noted	D45 Freedom of association D7 Right to participation in public affairs and right to vote <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 16
<b>Theme: D8 Rights related to marriage &amp; family</b>			
147.250 Implement measures to combat discrimination and violence against women, developing strategies to eradicate patriarchal attitudes and stereotypes regarding the roles and responsibilities of women and men in the family and in society (Uruguay); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported /Noted	D8 Rights related to marriage & family F12 Discrimination against women F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: F12 Discrimination against women</b>			
147.262 Take concrete measures in order to put an end to discrimination against women, especially by abolishing the list of professional occupations which are prohibited to them (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported /Noted	F12 Discrimination against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
<b>Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms</b>			
147.22 Consider acceding to the core international human rights treaties to which it is not yet a party (Zimbabwe); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7
147.15 Consider ratifying the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (Uruguay) (Romania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D1 Civil & political rights - general measures of implementation D23 Death penalty <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7, 8
147.9 Consider ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (Senegal) (Chile); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7
147.2 Continue considering accession to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (Mozambique) (Yemen); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Supported	A12 Acceptance of international norms D32 Enforced disappearances <b>Affected persons:</b> - disappeared persons	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7
<b>Theme: A22 Cooperation with treaty bodies</b>			
147.33 Continue to cooperate constructively with all treaty bodies and United Nations mechanisms by participating actively in the work of the Human Rights Council at the United Nations (Nicaragua); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported	A22 Cooperation with treaty bodies A24 Cooperation with special procedures A26 Cooperation with the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7

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<b>Theme: A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions</b>			
147.35 Continue the policy of negotiations and non-politicized constructive dialogue in dealing with the global agenda of human rights and continue presenting and organizing initiatives in the Human Rights Council for this purpose (Syrian Arab Republic); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported	A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions A3 Inter-State cooperation & development assistance <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7
<b>Theme: A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</b>			
147.26 Ensure that the Russian Federation's international human rights obligations are fully implemented, as foreseen in the Russian Constitution (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7
147.41 Continue efforts to strengthen the legislative and institutional framework of the national system for the promotion and protection of human rights (Cuba); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7–15
147.50 Ensure the compliance of domestic legislation with the obligations of the Russian Federation under international law in the field of human rights and fundamental freedoms (Poland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework A12 Acceptance of international norms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
147.116 Continue efforts towards the adoption of a law against domestic violence (Saudi Arabia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.119 Adopt national legislation prohibiting all forms of gender-based violence, including domestic violence, and ensuring adequate care for victims (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.206 Observe constitutional guarantees of freedom of religion and ensure religious groups are not subject to discrimination (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 26
147.162 Uphold the rights to freedom of assembly and expression, as enshrined in the Constitution (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7, 9–12, 15, 17–20, 24, 25
147.176 Bring legislation governing public assemblies and its enforcement into conformity with international human rights standards, particularly ensuring that any sanctions for violations of freedom of assembly do not create undue obstacles to freedom of assembly and expression (Slovenia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 10, 24, 25
147.164 Bring legislation governing public assemblies and its enforcement into conformity with international human rights standards (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 10, 24, 25
147.163 Safeguard the freedom of association of all its people, as prescribed in the Constitution, including of journalists, lawyers and human rights defenders (Botswana); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D45 Freedom of association H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - judges, lawyers and prosecutors - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22

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147.260 Strengthen labour legislation with a view to mainstreaming the gender perspective and ensuring that such legislation does not discriminate against women in their professional careers (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework F12 Discrimination against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
<b>Theme: A42 Institutions &amp; policies - General</b>			
147.72 Adopt measures to implement its national policy in order to ensure equality of human rights and freedoms regardless of race, nationality, language, religion or belief, and provide appropriate government funding for related activities (Pakistan); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	A42 Institutions & policies - General D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion D6 Rights related to name, identity, nationality <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - migrants - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - non-citizens - stateless persons	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
<b>Theme: A43 Human rights policies</b>			
147.45 Continue the concerted efforts to improve and strengthen human rights protection arrangements (Ethiopia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A43 Human rights policies A46 National Plans of Action on Human Rights (or specific areas) <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
<b>Theme: A44 Structure of the national human rights machinery</b>			
147.43 Continue further strengthening the posts of the Commissioners, particularly that for human rights (India); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Supported	A44 Structure of the national human rights machinery <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
<b>Theme: A61 Cooperation with civil society</b>			
147.71 Pursue the practice of State assistance to NGOs working in the area of promotion and protection of human rights (Kazakhstan); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A61 Cooperation with civil society <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 21
147.197 Continue to take steps to strengthen cooperation and coordination between State authorities and civil society institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights (Philippines); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	A61 Cooperation with civil society <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 21
<b>Theme: B11 International humanitarian law</b>			
147.40 Uphold obligations under international law to allow access to Crimea for international human rights monitors (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported	B11 International humanitarian law A12 Acceptance of international norms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - persons affected by armed conflict	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
<b>Theme: B31 Equality &amp; non-discrimination</b>			
147.94 Take measures aimed at combating stereotypes that may promote discrimination against persons based on their sexual orientation (Argentina); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
147.145 Pursue efforts to enforce equally and without discrimination the legal provisions relevant to the protection of individuals and their public freedoms (Lebanon); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1

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147.96 Take steps to effectively promote tolerance and prevent violence and discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, ensure effective investigation of acts of violence against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons, and hold those responsible to account (Netherlands); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	B31 Equality & non-discrimination B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
<b>Theme: B32 Racial discrimination</b>			
147.238 Take all necessary measures to prevent violence and intolerance against women, whether racist, xenophobic or based on sexual orientation, guaranteeing the rights of each and every one of them without discrimination (Switzerland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	B32 Racial discrimination F12 Discrimination against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 3, 15, 30
<b>Theme: B51 Right to an effective remedy</b>			
147.128 Investigate attacks on members of civil society, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons in Chechnya, and bring perpetrators to justice while providing legal redress for victims (Lithuania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 24, 30
147.246 Continue its efforts to ensure access to justice for women and girls who have been victims of domestic and sexual violence (Gabon); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.111 Ensure independent and credible investigations of alleged human rights violations in the North Caucasus and hold accountable anyone found responsible (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 23, 30
147.273 Continue the efforts to prevent all forms of violence against children and adolescents, including sexual abuse of minors, and ensure their access to justice and reparation (Ecuador); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 16	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy F32 Children: family environment and alternative care <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.173 Ensure effective and impartial investigations by the law enforcement authorities aimed at preventing and combating offences against journalists and human rights defenders, with a view to holding the perpetrators accountable (Romania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 18	Supported	B51 Right to an effective remedy H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 24, 30
<b>Theme: B8 Human rights &amp; counter-terrorism</b>			
147.105 Strengthen the human rights perspective in the fight against terrorism (Peru); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism <b>Affected persons:</b>	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 2, 17, 22, 29
<b>Theme: D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment</b>			
147.110 Ensure that all investigations into cases of abductions, unlawful detentions, torture and other ill-treatment, as well as killings, are conducted thoroughly and effectively (Austria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons deprived of their liberty	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 23, 24, 28
147.113 Investigate allegations of torture and inhuman treatment in custody in a transparent manner and bring those responsible to justice (Germany); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - persons deprived of their liberty	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 24, 27-29
147.125 Investigate complaints of detention, torture and other ill-treatment committed against homosexuals in Chechnya, as well as taking the necessary measures to eliminate discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (Chile); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30

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147.126 Investigate promptly, thoroughly and impartially instances of hate-based violence, including reports of mass detentions, torture and killings of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex individuals in Chechnya in 2017 (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 30
147.97 Ensure that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people are able to exercise their rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and expression without discrimination or fear of reprisals, and investigate promptly, effectively and impartially all allegations of abductions, secret imprisonment, torture and other ill-treatment, and killings of gay men in Chechnya (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment D26 Conditions of detention D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
<b>Theme: D26 Conditions of detention</b>			
147.134 Take measures to improve conditions of pretrial detention for suspected and accused women with children in the penitentiary system (Egypt); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 18	Supported	D26 Conditions of detention D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 27
<b>Theme: D29 Domestic violence</b>			
147.57 Conclude its work on drafting a federal law on preventing domestic violence (Congo) (Gabon); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.92 Look into measures to increase protection and support systems for victims of gender-based discrimination and domestic violence (Malaysia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - women - girls - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.114 Intensify efforts to fight domestic violence (Italy); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.117 Enhance work to prevent and combat domestic violence (Kyrgyzstan); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.242 Take all necessary measures to investigate allegations of domestic violence and prosecute perpetrators of this violence (Burkina Faso); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls - older persons	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.120 Enhance its efforts towards combating domestic violence and advancing women's empowerment (Myanmar); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence F11 Advancement of women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.243 Continue efforts to protect women's rights and to prevent domestic violence (Viet Nam); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D29 Domestic violence F12 Discrimination against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion</b>			

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147.90 Take concrete measures to combat all forms of discrimination, including when based on religion or belief and on sexual orientation, in compliance with international obligations (Italy); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 15, 30
147.207 Step up efforts to promote and protect freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring the freedom of all individuals to establish and maintain religious, charitable or humanitarian institutions (Brazil); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 21, 26
<b>Theme: D43 Freedom of opinion and expression</b>			
147.153 Continue easing regulations on media coverage and Internet censorship in order to secure and facilitate the exercise of freedom of expression (Japan); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12
147.154 Ensure fully everyone's right to exercise freedom of expression (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 16–20
147.166 Improve existing law and practice to guarantee freedom of expression, freedom of the media, and the safety of journalists (Poland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 16–20
147.167 Guarantee freedom of expression, particularly online, as well as freedom of the media (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 16–20
147.185 Ensure that the federal law on combating extremist activity is not arbitrarily used to limit freedom of expression (Czechia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 12, 17
147.169 Continue efforts to protect journalists from violence and intimidation and intensify cooperation with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Representative on Freedom of the Media (Austria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 19
147.170 Ensure that cases of violence and intimidation against independent journalists are independently investigated and that their perpetrators are effectively brought to justice (Belgium); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 19
147.123 Effectively investigate all cases of violence against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons and activists, including the violation of their rights to freedom of expression and assembly, and bring perpetrators to justice (Montenegro); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 15, 30
147.129 Investigate repression against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons, including in Chechnya (Luxembourg); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
147.155 Strengthen human rights guarantees for freedom of expression and peaceful assembly (Peru); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7, 8–12, 17–20, 24, 25
147.98 Ensure that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons can freely exercise their rights, and thoroughly investigate the anti-gay persecution in Chechnya while protecting the witnesses (Germany); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly B53 Support to victims and witnesses <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 15, 30



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147.175 Take effective and credible measures to protect and facilitate the exercise of the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly, freedom of opinion and expression, and freedom of association (Slovakia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7, 9–25
147.177 Ensure that NGOs can work free of threats and intimidation and ensure equal participation in political and public affairs by all stakeholders, including NGOs (Slovakia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D7 Right to participation in public affairs and right to vote <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14, 21–23
147.159 Ensure that anyone, including human rights defenders and journalists, can exercise their right to freedom of expression, including online, without fear of reprisal (Switzerland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 17–23
<b>Theme: D44 Right to peaceful assembly</b>			
147.180 Guarantee the effective exercise of freedom of assembly and association to allow human rights defenders and political activists to do their work (Luxembourg); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 10, 13, 14, 21, 22, 24, 25
<b>Theme: D45 Freedom of association</b>			
147.182 Continue and strengthen its meaningful engagement with civil society in implementing universal periodic review recommendations and safeguarding human rights (Myanmar); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D45 Freedom of association A27 Follow-up to Universal Periodic Review (UPR) <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 16
<b>Theme: D51 Administration of justice &amp; fair trial</b>			
147.171 Prevent and investigate beatings, threats and trials based on dubious charges of human rights defenders, journalists, political actors and civil society (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	D51 Administration of justice & fair trial H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 17–20, 22–25, 29
<b>Theme: D7 Right to participation in public affairs and right to vote</b>			
147.152 Ensure the exercise of political competition through free and fair elections, including equitable access to the political process (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	D7 Right to participation in public affairs and right to vote <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 13, 22
<b>Theme: D8 Rights related to marriage &amp; family</b>			
147.214 Continue to provide support to the traditional family and contribute to international efforts in the promotion and preservation of traditional ethical and family values (Egypt); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Supported	D8 Rights related to marriage & family <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	Non-human rights compliant recommendation. See paras. 5, 7, 15
<b>Theme: E1 Economic, social &amp; cultural rights - general measures of implementation</b>			
147.218 Strengthen ongoing efforts aimed at ensuring the implementation of the economic, social and cultural rights of its citizens (Cuba); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 20	Supported	E1 Economic, social & cultural rights - general measures of implementation <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
<b>Theme: E24 Right to social security</b>			
147.216 Introduce nationwide social security for its population (Nicaragua); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 20	Supported	E24 Right to social security <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4

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147.217 Introduce a social security system for its citizens (Cuba); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 20	Supported	E24 Right to social security <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
<b>Theme: E31 Right to work</b>			
147.261 Continue efforts to promote women's access to the labour market (Iraq); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	E31 Right to work <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
147.220 Take measures to promote equal opportunities for men and women in terms of employment and occupation at all levels of responsibility (Algeria); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	E31 Right to work S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S08 SDG 8 - economic growth, employment, decent work <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
147.264 Strengthen measures aimed at promoting equal opportunities for men and women in terms of employment and profession (Côte d'Ivoire); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	E31 Right to work S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment S08 SDG 8 - economic growth, employment, decent work <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See para. 4
<b>Theme: F12 Discrimination against women</b>			
147.239 Continue efforts aimed at combating discrimination against women and fighting violence against them (Tunisia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	F12 Discrimination against women F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.252 Fully implement the 2017–2022 national strategy on action for women in order to prevent violence against women, address gender stereotypes and guarantee women's full and equal participation in decision-making (Namibia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Supported	F12 Discrimination against women F13 Violence against women S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: F13 Violence against women</b>			
147.240 Strengthen governmental measures to eliminate violence against women and girls (Chile); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.244 Redouble efforts to eradicate violence against women, particularly domestic and sexual violence (Peru); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.247 Continue to take effective steps aimed at combating violence against women (Romania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	F13 Violence against women <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.241 Take effective steps to address domestic and sexual violence against women and girls, including through ensuring all perpetrators are prosecuted and punished (Botswana); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	F13 Violence against women B51 Right to an effective remedy <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: F32 Children: family environment and alternative care</b>			
147.279 Put an end to corporal punishment towards children in any form and in any area of society, and promote non-violent alternatives as disciplinary measures (Uruguay); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 16	Supported	F32 Children: family environment and alternative care D31 Liberty and security - general <b>Affected persons:</b> - children	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
<b>Theme: H1 Human rights defenders</b>			

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147.127 Investigate all reports of attacks on, or threats against, human rights defenders, lawyers, journalists, civil society activists and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons, and bring those responsible to justice (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Supported	H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 22–24, 29, 30
147.179 Ensure the protection of human rights defenders, particularly in the North Caucasus (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Supported	H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 20–23
<b>Theme: A12 Acceptance of international norms</b>			
147.52 Restore full respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms at home (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 7–30
148.6 Uphold all its obligations under applicable international law as an occupying power in the illegally occupied territories (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 6, 31
147.5 Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and fully align national legislation with all obligations under the Rome Statute (Latvia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B11 International humanitarian law B52 Impunity D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 6, 7
147.6 Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court in its 2020 version, including the Kampala amendments on the crime of aggression, and review its national legislation in order to ensure full alignment with the Statute (Liechtenstein); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 8	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B11 International humanitarian law B52 Impunity D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 6, 7
147.115 Ratify the Istanbul Convention and repeal legislation that decriminalizes domestic violence (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 15	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D29 Domestic violence <b>Affected persons:</b> - women - children - girls	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 3
147.202 Respect its international obligations and amend its legislation to ensure the right to the peaceful enjoyment of freedom of religion and belief for adherents of Jehovah's Witnesses in the Russian Federation (Denmark); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 26
147.308 Implement the relevant General Assembly resolutions on the territorial integrity of Ukraine and on Crimea (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
147.263 Repeal the list of professions prohibited for women and ratify the Istanbul Convention of the Council of Europe (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	A12 Acceptance of international norms E32 Right to just and favourable conditions of work S05 SDG 5 - gender equality and women's empowerment <b>Affected persons:</b> - women	<b>Partially implemented.</b> See paras. 4, 8
<b>Theme: A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions</b>			
148.5 Provide full and unconditional access to OHCHR and other relevant human rights monitoring mechanisms to Georgia's Abkhazia and Tskhinvali regions (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6

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148.3 Provide free and unimpeded access for all international human rights mechanisms to Ukraine's Crimea and Donbas, as well as to Georgia's regions of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali (Lithuania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	A28 Cooperation with other international mechanisms and institutions B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
<b>Theme: A29 Cooperation with regional mechanisms</b>			
148.7 Fulfil all interim measures issued by the European Court of Human Rights in the cases regarding human rights violations in the occupied Crimea and Donbas (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	A29 Cooperation with regional mechanisms <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 6–8
<b>Theme: A41 Constitutional and legislative framework</b>			
147.51 Accelerate the process of amending its domestic legislation and practices in line with the provisions of international human rights instruments (Zimbabwe); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
147.62 Repeal the legislation on “undesirable organizations” and “foreign agents” (Sweden); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 13, 14
147.70 Repeal Federal Law No. 135-FZ by means of which “propaganda of non-traditional sexual relationships” is a criminal offence (Denmark); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 15
147.88 Adopt a comprehensive anti-discrimination law prohibiting discrimination on any grounds, including sexual orientation and gender identity (Honduras); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 15
147.151 Uphold the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people by amending article 282 of the Criminal Code, article 5.62 of the Code of Administrative Offences and article 3 of the Labour Code (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 15
147.190 Consider the revision of the current legislation on “combating extremism” and on “foreign agents”, so as to define more precisely the limitations to fundamental freedoms in compliance with international obligations (Italy); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 9, 12, 13, 17–19, 21, 22
147.192 Repeal legislation under which NGOs can be declared “foreign agents” and “undesirable” organizations (New Zealand); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 13, 14
147.193 Repeal the laws on “foreign agents” and “undesirable” organizations (Lithuania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 13, 14
147.195 Review the legislation on the functioning of non-governmental organizations, such as law No. 121 on non-commercial organizations, and ensure its compliance with international human rights practices and standards (Mexico); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14
147.309 Repeal laws of the Russian Federation imposed in occupied Crimea and respect the laws in force in Ukraine (Ukraine). <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
147.78 Amend anti-extremist legislation to effectively fight racism and xenophobia while avoiding unjustified human rights restrictions (Germany); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 12	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B32 Racial discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 2

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147.66 End the practice of using the broad and vague anti-extremism and counter-terrorism legislation to pursue politically motivated charges (Sweden); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 2, 12, 17, 22
147.65 Repeal laws that limit freedom of expression online and offline, including the so-called Yarovaya package of counter-terrorism legislation (Sweden); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 12, 17-19
147.205 Repeal the 2013 law which criminalizes "insult to the religious feelings of believers" (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1
147.64 Revise or repeal legislation that unduly limits the freedoms of association, assembly, expression, religion or belief, including the "foreign agents" law and the law on "undesirable organizations" (Canada); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 7, 9-15
147.68 Adopt comprehensive anti-discrimination legislation on the grounds of sexual orientation, including measures to allow lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons to exercise their rights to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly without fear of harassment (Ireland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 15
147.54 Review national legislation and take administrative measures to address the concerns expressed by the Human Rights Committee regarding the free exercise of freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and association (Costa Rica); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9-25
147.55 Repeal or revise legislation in order to bring it into conformity with the obligations under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and to ensure protection of the rights to freedom of opinion, expression, association and assembly (Latvia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9-25
147.63 Repeal laws on "foreign agents" and "undesirable" organizations, and amend vague and overly broad "extremism" legislation to prevent this from being used to target those exercising their rights to freedom of expression and association (Australia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 11-14
147.156 Repeal legislation and regulations that limit the legitimate exercise of the rights to freedom of expression, association and belief (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11-14

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147.67 Relinquish de facto executive control over the media, the parliament and the courts, and repeal or amend legislation used to criminalize normal societal discourse, such as that on “extremism”, foreign agents, undesirable foreign organizations, anonymizer bans, and Internet blacklisting, as well as the “Yarovaya amendments”, which are used to criminalize normal societal discourse, so that all its laws are consistent with the Russian Federation’s human rights obligations and commitments (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 11–14
147.196 Implement programmes aimed at eliminating the restrictive environment in which NGOs and civil society organizations that promote human rights and diversity in political opinion act (Romania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	A41 Constitutional and legislative framework D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11–14, 17–23
<b>Theme: A42 Institutions &amp; policies - General</b>			
147.172 Establish institutional mechanisms for the prevention, protection and investigation of acts of intimidation, violence and reprisals that may target journalists and human rights defenders (Costa Rica); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Noted	A42 Institutions & policies - General H1 Human rights defenders <b>Affected persons:</b> - media - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 19, 20, 23, 29
<b>Theme: B11 International humanitarian law</b>			
147.39 Ensure access to the occupied Crimea by international human rights mechanisms (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 10	Noted	B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - persons affected by armed conflict	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
148.1 Grant international human rights monitoring bodies full access to all federal subjects of the Russian Federation and territories under its effective control (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
148.4 Cease violations of the human rights of the population living in Georgian regions under the Russian Federation’s effective control (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
148.8 End its illegal occupation of Crimea and end its support for separatist groups in eastern Ukraine and the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and South Ossetia (Australia). <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	B11 International humanitarian law B9 Human rights & use of mercenaries <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6
<b>Theme: B31 Equality &amp; non-discrimination</b>			
147.100 Take concrete action to prevent discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation, including by repealing the law against “propaganda of non-traditional sexual relations” (Norway); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	B31 Equality & non-discrimination A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
147.99 End the persecution of people perceived to be gay or bisexual (Iceland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	B31 Equality & non-discrimination B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30
<b>Theme: B32 Racial discrimination</b>			
147.91 Cease discrimination on the grounds of ethnicity, sexual orientation and gender identity (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 11	Noted	B32 Racial discrimination B31 Equality & non-discrimination <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups - Indigenous peoples - lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons (LGBTI)	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 15, 30

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<b>Theme: B8 Human rights &amp; counter-terrorism</b>			
147.104 Make efforts to review the definition of extremist activity for the proper application of the federal law combating extremist activity (Republic of Korea); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	B8 Human rights & counter-terrorism <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 2, 12, 17, 22, 26
<b>Theme: D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment</b>			
147.149 Demonstrate that the laws of the Russian Federation apply in Chechnya by investigating reports of torture and other human rights violations and abuses, and holding those responsible to account (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Noted	D25 Prohibition of torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment B52 Impunity <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 20, 23, 30
<b>Theme: D26 Conditions of detention</b>			
147.132 Release all political prisoners held in the Russian Federation and occupied Crimea (United States of America); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 14	Noted	D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons deprived of their liberty	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 17–26, 29
147.136 Regarding illegally annexed Crimea, remove the Mejlis from the list of “extremist organizations”, lift all restrictions imposed on its activities and immediately end the practice of sending Crimean prisoners to serve their sentences in the Russian Federation (Czechia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D26 Conditions of detention <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons deprived of their liberty	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 2, 6
<b>Theme: D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion</b>			
147.200 Reconsider the recent outlawing of the Jehovah Witnesses and stop their persecution (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 26
147.201 End the targeting of Jehovah’s Witnesses for exercising their freedom of religion (Iceland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 26
147.203 Refrain from banning religious groups on the grounds of extremism, even though they practise their religious belief in a peaceful way, and also withdraw administrative accusations and criminal accusations against their members (Luxembourg); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 26
147.204 Refrain from outlawing religious groups as “extremist” and ensure them the right to fully practise their religion or belief (Finland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D42 Freedom of thought, conscience and religion <b>Affected persons:</b> - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 26
<b>Theme: D43 Freedom of opinion and expression</b>			
147.168 Implement recommendations relating to the freedom of the press and information accepted during the last cycle of the universal periodic review (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1, 11, 18–20
147.174 Release all journalists detained on politically motivated charges or sentenced for expressing critical or dissenting views, including about political events or the status of illegally annexed Crimea (Slovakia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression <b>Affected persons:</b> - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 11, 13, 18, 19
147.160 End its routine excessive banning of public assemblies and imposing excessive conditions regarding the place, time and manner of their conduct (Denmark); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 10, 24, 25

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147.61 Repeal the law on foreign agents and ensure that the freedoms of assembly, association, expression, demonstration and the press are not limited (Spain); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - media	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 18, 19, 21
148.2 End legal and political restrictions on freedom of expression, association and assembly against all persons, including Crimean Tatars in the illegally annexed Crimea and in Ukrainian territories under control of armed groups backed by the Russian Federation (Lithuania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13 - Para. 148	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association B11 International humanitarian law <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - minorities/ racial, ethnic, linguistic, religious or descent-based groups	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 6, 31
147.178 Cease restricting civil society and NGOs (Georgia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D43 Freedom of opinion and expression D44 Right to peaceful assembly D45 Freedom of association D7 Right to participation in public affairs and right to vote <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9–30
<b>Theme: D44 Right to peaceful assembly</b>			
147.158 End the practice of obstructing peaceful demonstrations by, under politically motivated pretexts, not granting them authorization (Sweden); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D44 Right to peaceful assembly <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 1, 9, 10, 24, 25
<b>Theme: D45 Freedom of association</b>			
147.189 Repeal the law on “undesirable organizations” (France); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D45 Freedom of association <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 14, 19, 21, 22
147.184 Review the current restrictive legal framework, especially the laws on foreign agents, undesirable organizations and extremism (Estonia); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general - human rights defenders	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 2, 9–14
147.186 Bring the laws on “foreign agents” and “undesirable organizations” in line with its international obligations and ensure that civil society can receive support from partners abroad (Germany); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 13, 14
147.187 Repeal the “foreign agents” law and the law on “undesirable” organizations (Iceland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 9, 13, 14
147.191 Review its legislation regulating the functioning of NGOs, in particular the federal law on non-commercial organizations and the federal law on undesirable organizations, and bring it into accordance with international human rights law, as previously recommended (Finland); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 19	Noted	D45 Freedom of association A41 Constitutional and legislative framework <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 1, 13, 14
<b>Theme: D51 Administration of justice &amp; fair trial</b>			
147.27 Repeal laws that allow the decisions of international human rights bodies, notably the European Court of Human Rights, to be disregarded (Lithuania); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Noted	D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - general	<b>Not implemented.</b> See paras. 7, 8
147.28 Fully comply with the provisional measures order of 19 April 2017 of the International Court of Justice (Ukraine); <b>Source of position:</b> A/HRC/39/13/Add.1 - Para. 9	Noted	D51 Administration of justice & fair trial <b>Affected persons:</b> - persons affected by armed conflict	<b>Not implemented.</b> See para. 6



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