Yemen Mid-term Implementation Assessment







Introduction

1. Purpose of the follow-up programme

The second and subsequent cycles of the review should focus on, inter alia, the implementation of the accepted recommendations and the development of the human rights situation in the State under review.

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The Universal Periodic Review (UPR) process takes place every four and half years; however, some recommendations can be implemented immediately. In order to reduce this interval, we have created an update process to evaluate the human rights situation two years after the examination at the UPR.

Broadly speaking, *UPR Info* seeks to ensure the respect of commitments made in the UPR, but also, more specifically, to give stakeholders the opportunity to share their opinion on the commitments. To this end, about two years after the review, *UPR Info* invites States, NGOs, and National Institutions for Human Rights (NHRI) to share their comments on the implementation (or lack thereof) of recommendations adopted at the Human Rights Council (HRC) plenary session.

For this purpose, *UPR Info* publishes a Mid-term Implementation Assessment (MIA) including responses from each stakeholder. The MIA is meant to show how all stakeholders are disposed to follow through on, and implement their commitments. States should implement the recommendations that they have accepted, and civil society should monitor that implementation.

While the follow-up's importance has been highlighted by the HRC, no precise directives regarding the follow-up procedure have been set until now. Therefore, *UPR Info* is willing to share good practices as soon as possible, and to strengthen the collaboration pattern between States and stakeholders. Unless the UPR's follow-up is seriously considered, the UPR mechanism as a whole could be adversely affected.

The methodology used by UPR Info to collect data and to calculate index is described at the end of this document.

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Follow-up Outcomes

1. Sources and results

All data are available at the following address:

http://followup.upr-info.org/index/country/yemen

We invite the reader to consult that webpage since all recommendations, all stakeholders reports, as well as the unedited comments can be found at the same internet address.

- 6 NGOs were contacted. The Permanent Mission to the UN was contacted. No domestic NHRI does exist.
- 3 NGOs responded to our enquiry. The State under Review did not respond to our enquiry.

IRI: 97 recommendations are not implemented, 0 recommendation is partially implemented, and 0 recommendation is fully implemented. No answer was received for 54 out of 153 recommendations.

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3. Feedbacks on recommendations

CP Rights

Recommendation nº6: Examine relevant laws and measures to guarantee that restrictions imposed on freedom of expression are in line with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights ICCPR, to which Yemen is party. (Recommended by Argentina)

IRI: not implemented

Human rights information and training center (HRITC) response:

Some Journalists still arrested, Media channels face difficulties.

Recommendation n°25: Within the spirit of the Durban Review Conference, continue to make all efforts to adopt effective measures to prevent the recurrence of threats against religious minorities, including the Jewish and the Baha'i communities. (Recommended by Brazil)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº31: Remove restrictions on the ability of journalists to report and criticize government policy freely and without of fear of repression, intimidation, imprisonment or threat. (Recommended by Canada)

IRI: not implemented

Reporters sans frontières (RSF) response:

Le gouvernement yéménite est peu ouvert à la critique et cela même avant le début des manifestations pro-démocratiques en février 2011. Les journalistes qui osent critiquer le gouvernement ou des officiels yéménites s'exposent à des représailles de la part du régime. Suite à des articles critiques en 2010, des journalistes ont été arrêtés, menacés, agressés, parfois leur maison criblée de balles et 8 publications ont été interdites.

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°37: Ensure full protection and realization of the right to freedom of expression and plurality of information sources as well as the right to peaceful assembly and association in compliance with international standards. (Recommended by Czech Republic)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº51: Take necessary measures to ensure full enjoyment of freedom of expression, notably press freedom, and to prevent, combat and punish acts of harassment and aggression committed against journalists. (Recommended by France)

IRI: not implemented

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Recommendation nº52: Guarantee an all-embracing freedom of expression and in particular stop censorship and repressive measures against journalists and civil society activists. (Recommended by Germany)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

RSF response:

La liberté de la presse est constamment menacée au Yémen et ce depuis plusieurs années. Le gouvernement yéménite contrôlait déjà les médias avant le début du mouvement de protestation en février 2011 et la critique n'était pas et n'est toujours pas tolérée. Face au mouvement de protestation initié en février 2011, le régime a renforcé son contrôle sur les médias et les mesures de répression pour imposer un silence médiatique sur le soulèvement populaire. Les journalistes yéménites et étrangers couvrant les manifestations travaillent dans l'insécurité et sont victimes de la répression des forces armées et des partisans de l'ancien Président Saleh : assassinats, enlèvements, menaces, saccages de locaux, confiscations et destruction d'exemplaires, retrait d'accréditation, expulsions de journalistes étrangers. Ces exactions se font dans un climat d'impunité. Malgré le départ du Président Saleh le 23 novembre 2011, les exactions contre la presse continuent comme le montrent les violences de l'armée et des partisans du Président à l'encontre des professionnels de l'information couvrant la « Marche pour la vie » qui a commencé le 20 décembre 2011 et a atteint la capitale Sanaa le 24 décembre.

Recommendation nº142: Amend the Press and Publication Act so that it clearly and unequivocally protects freedom of expression for journalists and enforce this law. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

RSF response:

Il n'y a pas eu de modification du code de la presse. Celui en vigueur actuellement date donc de 1990. Un projet de réforme, en discussion depuis plusieurs années, a été fortement critiqué par les professionnels des médias pour son caractère répressif. Il vise en effet à interdire toute investigation portant atteinte à la « sécurité nationale », à « l'unité nationale », ou aux « relations extérieures » du pays. Ce texte prévoit des peines allant jusqu'à six ans de prison en cas de délit de presse.

HRITC response:





ESC Rights

Recommendation nº5: Pursue its efforts to combat poverty and continue applying measures to mitigate the impact of the economic and financial crisis on Yemeni people and share its pioneering experience in this regard with other concerned States. (Recommended by Algeria)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

Crisis increased in Yemen during revolution in 2011

Recommendation n°35: Maintain the efforts under way to increase the access of the entire population to health care services, both in rural and urban areas. (Recommended by Cuba)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº44: *Increase efforts to improve access to public health by people living in rural areas.* (Recommended by *Djibouti*)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº64: Continue its efforts to further the promotion and protection of economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development, for a better realization of the MDGs, and in this regard, take concrete steps to reduce poverty and unemployment rates with a view to improving the livelihood of all citizens. (Recommended by Iran)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº69: Include in the school system at all levels, appropriate measures in the field of human rights education, in accordance with the Plan of Action of the World Programme for Human Rights Education. (Recommended by Italy)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°76: Expand the social welfare scheme and the number of beneficiaries. (Recommended by Jordan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº78: Continue with the formulation of a human rights strategy and with human rights education. (Recommended by Jordan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº79: Continue the effective policy of combating poverty and promoting economic, social and cultural rights. (Recommended by Kazakhstan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº86: Step up efforts aimed at capacity-building and increasing awareness of human rights in Yemen. (Recommended by Malaysia)

IRI: -

HRITC response:

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Recommendation nº87: Continue placing strong emphasis on promoting and protecting human rights in crucial areas such as poverty eradication, justice administration, education, public health and gender equality (Recommended by Malaysia)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº112: Continue its efforts, with the support of the international community, to eradicate poverty, increase literacy and enrolment rates and improve access to basic health services. (Recommended by Philippines)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº130: Strengthen efforts, in the framework of the MDGs, to make basic education generally accessible. (Recommended by Syria)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº131: Continue its efforts to raise human rights awareness, and provide human rights education and training for the relevant Government officials. (Recommended by Thailand)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº144: Publish case studies and annual statistics of labor disputes brought before the Government, and their manner of disposal. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº146: Ensure better enforcement of laws protecting employees from anti-union discrimination. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°150: Allocate more resources for economic and social development measures and policies to better ensure the population's enjoyment of the most essential economic and social rights, notably the rights to food, medical care and employment, and to fight against poverty and illiteracy. (Recommended by Viet Nam)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº152: Commit more resources to housing development for low-income families and focus on committing more resources to the health sector, especially in rural areas and other less-developed areas. (Recommended by Zimbabwe)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Indigenous & Minorities

Recommendation nº39: Revise its legislation and practice so that they both ensure full protection of the principle of non-refoulement. (Recommended by Czech Republic)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº63: Continue efforts for the promotion and protection of the rights of migrants, refugees and internally displaced persons, as well as persons with disabilities. (Recommended by Iran)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº116: Redouble its efforts to support persons with special needs and to facilitate their integration in public life. (Recommended by Qatar)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº122: Continue hosting refugees coming from the Horn of Africa, in particular from Somalia, with the concrete and timely support of the international community, particularly Arab countries. (Recommended by Somalia)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº148: Carry on its important achievement in supporting vulnerable groups, especially those living in rural areas. (Recommended by Venezuela)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº149: While recognizing the commitment to welcome on its territory refugees from the Horn of Africa, continue its efforts in this laudable work. (Recommended by Venezuela)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

International Instruments

Recommendation nº40: Accede to CAT-OP and establish its national preventive mechanism accordingly, which would also facilitate a better and more effective fight against secret detention, prolonged detention without trial and cases of torture by prison officers. (Recommended by Czech Republic)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº54: Intensify cooperation with United Nations mechanisms to, inter alia, address the issue of outstanding reports to various treaty bodies, and enhance cooperation with special procedures. (Recommended by Germany)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº90: In cooperation with the relevant bodies, follow up on the implementation of voluntary commitments as reflected in its national report and





consider their inclusion in its national human rights strategy. (Recommended by Mexico)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº117: Honour its voluntary commitment to submit national reports to the treaty bodies by the due date. (Recommended by Republic of Korea)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Justice

Recommendation nº29: Implement strict judicial measures on corruption and bribery, which continue to have devastating effects on socio-economic rights. (Recommended by Canada)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº32: Work to improve conditions in its prisons, including sanitary conditions, access to food and health care and overcrowding. (Recommended by Canada)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº36: Allow access to its prisons and detention centres to Yemeni and international human rights organisations, in particular the International Committee of the Red Cross. (Recommended by Czech Republic)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº56: Guarantee the protection of fundamental freedoms even in counter-terrorist legislation. (Recommended by Hungary)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº58: Review the use of the death penalty on minors and mentally disabled persons. (Recommended by Hungary)

IRI: not implemented





HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº59: Reduce significantly the use of the death penalty with a view to its complete abolition. (Recommended by Hungary)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº72: Strengthen the capacity of judicial administrators. (Recommended by Japan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº89: Ensure that the legislation on fighting terrorism complies with international standards of protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms and attend to the recommendations of the Human Rights Committee and the Committee against Torture with regard to the non-derogable character of some rights and the inadmissibility of torture. (Recommended by Mexico)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº103: Abolish corporal punishments such as flogging and, in a few cases, amputation of limbs, as they are in violation of article 7 of ICCPR. (Recommended by Nigeria)

IRI: not implemented

Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children (GIEACPC) response: n/a (corporal punishment as a sentence not removed from the statute books)

Recommendation nº105: Adopt appropriate measures to disseminate widely and ensure full observance of the Declaration on Human Rights Defenders. (Recommended by Norway)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº125: Abide only by internationally agreed principles of international law. in this regard, capital punishment does not fall within such agreed norms, the imposition of capital punishment is the prerogative of individual States. (Recommended by Sudan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº127: Take all measures to ensure that the counter-terrorism efforts in Yemen are applied in accordance with human rights obligations. (Recommended by Sweden)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº136: Pursue with resolve its efforts towards the eradication of corruption. (Recommended by Turkey)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº137: Organize intensive training courses for judges and the judiciary on human rights principles. (Recommended by United Arab Emirates)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº139: Ensure that all detained persons have prompt access to a doctor and a lawyer, as well as contact with their families, at all stages of detention, and that detainees held by the Political Security Department be given prompt access to legal advice and information. (Recommended by United Kingdom)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº143: Immediately allow the Ministry of Human Rights and domestic and international NGOs greater access to its prisons. subsequently that the President of Yemen establish a commission with the purpose of analyzing the recommendations of the Ministry of Human Rights and NGOs and implementing reforms to bring Yemen's prison system up to internationally recognized standards. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Women & Children

Recommendation nº13: Amend the provisions of the Personal Status Law legalizing marriage of girls below the age of 15 and raise the minimum age to 18. (Recommended by Austria)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

Amended law submitted by civil society via Parliament and has been refused.





Recommendation nº17: Continue its efforts to advance the role of women in society and support women in acceding to high-level decision-making posts. (Recommended by Bahrain)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº19: Continue to consolidate existing legal and institutional frameworks to further improve the situation of women in society. (Recommended by Bangladesh)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°20: Continue its work in creating and using opportunities to encourage and defend the rights of women, including the voluntary obligations which are set out in the national report. (Recommended by Belarus)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº21: Continue to implement measures designed to promote and protect the rights of children. (Recommended by Belarus)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº22: Continue with measures to protect disadvantaged children and to create conditions for their fully-fledged development. (Recommended by Belarus)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°23: Address the problems arising from the trafficking of children to the neighbouring countries within the context of the National Strategy for Children and Young People. (Recommended by Brazil)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°24: Consider measures to prevent tourist marriages with a view to combating them as considered by the CEDAW Committee. (Recommended by Brazil)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation n°27: Actively enhance respect for the rights of women, including access to education and equal treatment in custody cases, and by creating support mechanisms for divorcees and women victims of violence, particularly sexual violence. (Recommended by Canada)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº28: Ensure compliance with its obligations under article 37 a of the Convention on the Rights of the Child not to impose capital punishment for offences committed by persons below 18 years of age. (Recommended by Canada)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº34: Continue working on promoting and protecting the rights of women. (Recommended by Cuba)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº41: Take immediate steps to ensure the full implementation of the recently formulated National Plan of Action for the eradication of female genital mutilation from Yemen. (Recommended by Denmark)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº42: Take immediate steps to remove juvenile prisoners from death row. (Recommended by Denmark)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº45: Strengthen the vigilance of the authorities and take effective measures to address the serious issue of domestic violence against women. (Recommended by Djibouti)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº46: Continue to improve the condition of women and ensure their effective participation in political life by appointing them to political positions of responsibility (Recommended by Djibouti)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº55: Strengthen measures, both in regard to policy and legislation, to combat discrimination and violence against women. (Recommended by Germany)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº57: Review the Criminal Code with special attention to discrimination against women. (Recommended by Hungary)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº60: Continue efforts made to upgrade the status of Yemeni women to one of equality with that of men, including with regard to their representation in society and politics, their access to education and their treatment before the law. (Recommended by Indonesia)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº65: Prohibit any practice of forced early marriage of young girls, including tourist or temporary marriages, female genital mutilation, and parent-supported trafficking of children through, inter alia, the adoption and subsequent implementation of the Safe Motherhood Law, recently brought before Parliament, without delay, as recommended by the CEDAW Committee. (Recommended by Israel)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº77: Continue efforts to improve the status of women and to empower them. (Recommended by Jordan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation n°91: Intensify the efforts undertaken to make progress in the area of gender equality, especially with regard to the equality of women before the law, equal access to judicial processes and participation in the education system at all levels. (Recommended by Mexico)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº92: Take measures to implement the recommendations of the CEDAW Committee in the area of women's rights as soon as possible. (Recommended by Mexico)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº95: Take additional measures to reform the justice system and enable women to accede to judicial positions. (Recommended by Morocco)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº113: Continue measures to enhance the protection of the human rights of women and gender equality, taking into account the observations of the CEDAW Committee. (Recommended by Philippines)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº114: Eliminate any discriminatory provisions that are incompatible with international treaties dealing with the rights of women. (Recommended by Portugal)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº118: Redouble its advocacy efforts to enhance public awareness on gender equality and women's role in social and economic development. (Recommended by Republic of Korea)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº119: Continue efforts to prevent the smuggling of Yemeni children outside the country. (Recommended by Saudi Arabia)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº133: Continue to work towards improving the opportunities for women within society in order to empower them to become an important driving force for development. (Recommended by Thailand)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº134: In the framework of reinforcing its pioneering policies to promote women's rights, continue its efforts aimed at prohibiting early marriages of girls, taking into account that women represent half the population. (Recommended by Tunisia)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº135: Maintain its efforts aimed at strengthening the status of women in society. (Recommended by Turkey)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº138: Stop the sentencing of children to any form of physical punishment. (Recommended by United Kingdom)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº140: Review legislation to ensure it does not discriminate unfavourably against women and introduce laws to unequivocally prohibit violence against women. (Recommended by United Kingdom)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº145: Develop a comprehensive policy to address the issue of gender discrimination in employment. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº147: Step up enforcement of laws protecting women from rape and violence, criminalize spousal rape and treat honor killings no differently than murder. (Recommended by United States)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº151: Intensify efforts to reduce the gap between the sexes in all political, economic and social activities of the country, to bring down the child mortality rate and to better protect the most vulnerable social groups. (Recommended by Viet Nam)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº153: Revise its national legislation with a view to the total elimination of discrimination against women and implement effective measures to address violence against women in line with the CEDAW Committee recommendations. (Recommended by Zimbabwe)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Other

Recommendation nº1: Proceed with its intention to establish an independent national human rights commission. (Recommended by Algeria)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

Only governmental news by media but nothing proceeded.

Recommendation nº16: Continue practical efforts to improve the overall human rights situation in the country. (Recommended by Azerbaijan)

IRI: -

HRITC response:

Only by CSOs

Recommendation nº38: Review all relevant existing and prepared legislation, including the Penal Code, with a view to ensuring its compliance with international human rights law, namely with protection of privacy and prohibition of discrimination (Recommended by Czech Republic)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº43: Continue to take steps to ensure that Yemeni authorities at all levels respect the integrity of persons and support the human rights standards set out in the Constitution. (Recommended by Denmark)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº47: Seek the necessary financial and material support from the international community to fulfil its humanitarian responsibilities. (Recommended by Djibouti)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº49: Continue the promotion of human rights in conformity with the universally recognized principles and reject attempts to impose foreign values





that are outside the United Nations legally approved framework. (Recommended by Egypt)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº50: Establish an independent national human rights institution that complies with the Paris Principles. (Recommended by France)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº74: Finalize the procedures aiming at the establishment of an independent national human rights commission. (Recommended by Jordan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº81: Request OHCHR support to conduct awareness-raising programmes and training for those working in the human rights field and provision of technical assistance to promote human rights. (Recommended by Kuwait)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº123: Consider establishing an independent national human rights institution that complies with the Paris Principles. (Recommended by South Africa)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº124: Seek technical assistance from the United Nations as outlined in part 12 of its national report. (Recommended by South Africa)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:

No improvement.

Recommendation nº126: Speed up the establishment of an information centre in the Ministry of Human Rights, taking into account its important envisaged role in designing future strategies and plans. (Recommended by Sudan)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response:





Recommendation nº132: Continue its endeavour to create an independent national human rights institution that complies with the Paris Principles. (Recommended by Thailand)

IRI: not implemented

HRITC response: No improvement.



Methodology

A. First contact

Although the methodology has to consider the specificities of each country, we applied the same procedure for data collection about all States:

- 1. We contacted the Permanent Mission to the UN either in Geneva (when it does exist) or New York;
- 2. We contacted all NGOs which took part in the process. Whenever NGOs were part of coalitions, each NGO was individually contacted;
- 3. The National Institution for Human Rights was contacted whenever one existed.

We posted our requests to the States and NHRI, and sent emails to NGOs.

The purpose of the UPR is to discuss issues and share concrete suggestions to improve human rights on the ground. Therefore, stakeholders whose objective is not to improve the human rights situation were not contacted, and those stakeholders' submissions were not taken into account.

However, since the UPR is meant to be a process which aims at sharing best practices among States and stakeholders, we take into account positive feedbacks from the latter.

B. Processing the recommendations

The persons we contact are encouraged to use an Excel sheet we provide which includes all recommendations received by the State reviewed.

Each submission is processed, whether the stakeholder has or has not used the Excel sheet. In the latter case, the submission is split up among recommendations we think it belongs to. Since such a task is more prone to misinterpretation, we strongly encourage stakeholders to use the Excel sheet.

If the stakeholder does not clearly mention neither that the recommendation was "fully implemented" nor that it was "not implemented", UPR Info usually considers the recommendation as "partially implemented", unless the implementation level is obvious.

UPR Info retains the right to edit comments that are considered not to directly address the recommendation in question, when comments are too lengthy or when comments are defamatory or inappropriate. While we do not mention the





recommendations which were not addressed, they can be accessed unedited on the follow-up webpage.

C. Implementation Recommendation Index (IRI)

UPR Info developed an index showing the implementation level achieved by the State for the recommendations received at the UPR.

The **Implementation Recommendation Index** (IRI) is an individual recommendation index. Its purpose is to show an average of stakeholders' responses.

The *IRI* is meant to take into account stakeholders disputing the implementation of a recommendation. Whenever a stakeholder claims nothing has been implemented at all, the index score is 0. At the opposite, whenever a stakeholder claims a recommendation has been fully implemented, the *IRI* score is 1.

An average is calculated to fully reflect the many sources of information. If the State under Review claims that the recommendation has been fully implemented, and a stakeholder says it has been partially implemented, the score is 0.75.

Then the score is transformed into an implementation level, according to the table below:

Percentage:	Implementation level:
0 - 0.32	Not implemented
0.33 - 0.65	Partially implemented
0.66 – 1	Fully implemented

<u>Example</u>: On one side, a stakeholder comments on a recommendation requesting the establishment of a National Human Rights Institute (NHRI). On the other side, the State under review claims having partially set up the NHRI. As a result of this, the recommendation will be given an *IRI* score of 0.25, and thus the recommendation is considered as "not implemented".

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