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**EIGHTH SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL  
UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW SEGMENT  
(9 – 13 JUNE 2008)**

**HUITIÈME SESSION DU CONSEIL DES DROITS DE L'HOMME  
SEGMENT RELATIF A L'EXAMEN PERIODIQUE UNIVERSEL  
(9-13 JUIN 2008)**

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and ECOSOC non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions, and, at the request of the President of the Human Rights Council, has the honour to transmit the attached technical modalities relating to the conduct of the UPR process in the plenary of the Council, scheduled to be held from 9 to 13 June.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, intergovernmental and ECOSOC non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions, the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Le Secrétariat du Conseil des droits de l'homme présente ses compliments à toutes les missions permanentes auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies à Genève, organismes des Nations Unies, institutions spécialisées et organisations apparentées des Nations Unies, organisations intergouvernementales et non gouvernementales (ECOSOC) et institutions nationales de défense des droits de l'homme, et, à la demande du Président du Conseil des droits de l'Homme, a l'honneur de leur transmettre, ci-joint, les modalités techniques relatives à la procédure suivie pour le segment de l'examen périodique universel lors de la session plénière du Conseil.

Le Secrétariat du Conseil des droits de l'homme saisit cette occasion pour renouveler les assurances de sa haute considération à toutes les missions permanentes auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies à Genève, organismes des Nations Unies, institutions spécialisées et organisations apparentées des Nations Unies, organisations intergouvernementales et non gouvernementales (ECOSOC) et institutions nationales de défense des droits de l'homme.

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# **HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL 8TH SESSION**

## **UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW SEGMENT**

### **9-13 JUNE 2008**

#### **TECHNICAL MODALITIES**

##### **List of speakers**

Delegations, wishing to take the floor during the plenary's consideration of universal periodic review (UPR) outcomes, may register when the list of speakers opens, on the previous day. The list of speakers for States under review (SuRs) to be considered on a specific day will be opened on the morning of the day before.

##### **Organization of the one hour consideration of the UPR outcome**

- The SuR will have up to 20 minutes, to be organized at the SuR's convenience, in order to, as appropriate:
  - ❖ Present its views on recommendations and/or conclusions;
  - ❖ Present its views on voluntary pledges and commitments;
  - ❖ Reply to questions not sufficiently addressed during the Working group;
  - ❖ Present its views on the outcome;
  - ❖ Make final comments.
- Member States and observer States of the Council, as well as UN agencies will have up to 20 minutes to express their views on the UPR outcome for the country under review. Speaking time will be as follows:
  - ❖ 3 minutes for Member States
  - ❖ 2 minutes for Observers

*Speakers that cannot be accommodated within the time available may provide the Secretariat with a written copy of their statement for posting on the UPR extranet.*

- Stakeholders will have up to 20 minutes to make general comments. Speaking time will be as follows:
  - ❖ 2 minutes per speaker

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