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TO VIET NAM'S NATIONAL REPORT UNDER THE 3RD CYCLE OF UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW

On the status of implementation of recommendations Viet Nam accepted under 2nd cycle of UPR
(As of October 2018)

Total number of accepted recommendations:	182
Number of accepted recommendations implemented with outcomes:	175 (96.2%)
<i>of which</i>	
- Recommendations fully implemented:	159 (87.4%)
- Recommendations partially implemented:	16 (8.8%)
Recommendations undergoing implementation or being considered for implementation at a suitable time:	7 (3.8%)

No.	Sub-Para ¹	Recommendation	Made by	Status	Remarks
I. Protection and promotion of human rights				<i>7/7²</i>	
1.	43	Continue further improvement of the protection and promotion of human rights in the country	Azerbaijan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in the present Report at Paragraph 7 and throughout.
2.	45	Continue efforts to promote and protect the rights of all segments of the population	Nepal	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in the present Report at Paragraph 7 and throughout.
3.	46	Continue Government efforts to guarantee the exercise of power by, with, and for the people of Viet Nam	Cuba	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in the present Report at Paragraph 7 and throughout.

¹ Para 143 of A/HRC/26/6

² Status of Implementation (total number of fully or partially implemented recommendations against total number of accepted recommendations)

4.	50	Maintain efforts undertaken to identify human rights violations	Djibouti	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in the present Report at Paragraphs 47, 52, 55, 57, 85.
5.	52	Build the capacity of national institutions and mechanisms to promote and protect human rights in the implementation of international human rights instruments	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II.
6.	53	Better attract and facilitate the participation of socio-political organizations in the promotion and protection of human rights	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 9, 15, 29, 55.
7.	219	Continue promoting the participation of citizens in decision-making processes	Nicaragua	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 9, 15, 29, 55.
II. Human rights education				12/12	
8.	44	Raise awareness among its people of laws and regulations so that they can exercise their rights effectively and adequately	Bhutan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
9.	58	Continue raising the awareness of the population through human rights education programs	Mali	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
10.	59	Continue supporting human rights education at all level of the education system through the appropriate measures and content	Egypt	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
11.	60	Further enhance efforts to develop the human rights education system and to strengthen a culture of human rights	Uzbekistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.

12.	61	Continue dissemination of and training on the UDHR and other international human rights instruments	Venezuela	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
13.	62	Continue work on introducing awareness-raising and educational programs on human rights into the curricula of schools and universities and on organizing relevant programs for civil servants	Belarus	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
14.	63	Strengthen human rights education to ensure that the population is better informed	Djibouti	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
15.	64	Increase education on human rights to raise public awareness and the capacity of relevant legal agencies to better ensure the rights and basic freedoms of the people within the nation's rule of law	Myanmar	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
16.	65	Strengthen human rights education by providing special programs for law enforcement officials and the judiciary	Morocco	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II.
17.	81	Further enhance people's awareness of gender issues	Cambodia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section D, part II and Paragraphs 21,75, 76.
18.	82	Work on policies and strategies to enhance awareness on gender issues	Ethiopia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 21, 75, 76.
19.	83	Significantly increase efforts to raise awareness among its population of gender equality and non-discrimination of women and girls	Liechtenstein	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 21, 75, 76.

III. Strengthening the legal frameworks on human rights				21/23	
20.	31	Continue with the Constitutional review process aimed at strengthening the legal system and policies on human rights	Mozambique	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section A, part II
21.	32	Continue developing the human rights legal framework	Sudan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II
22.	33	Implement a legal system which improves the human rights of peasants and other persons working in rural areas	Plurinational State of Bolivia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 21, 25, 61, 67.
23.	35	Continue strengthening national mechanisms to promote and protect human rights	Nepal	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in the present Report at Sections A and B, part II, and throughout.
24.	36	Continue efforts to strengthen its institutional frameworks for human rights, including by giving consideration towards the establishment of a national human rights institution as guided by the Paris Principles	Indonesia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 97.
25.	37	Consider establishing a national human rights institution	Thailand	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 97. Recommendation No. 37 suggested an action of “consideration”. An inter-agency mechanism has been established to conceive and implement the project on the establishment of an NHRI.
26.	38	Establish a national institution for the promotion and the protection of human rights	Morocco	Ongoing	Demonstrated in Paragraph 97. Recommendation no. 38 suggested an action of “establishment”. An inter-agency mechanism has been established

					to conceive and implement the project on the establishment of an NHRI.
27.	39	Establish an independent national human rights institution	Niger	Ongoing	Demonstrated in Paragraph 97. Similar to Recommendation no. 38.
28.	51	Continue measures aimed at enhancing the capacity of the national human rights mechanism	Uzbekistan	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II. On NRHI, similar to Recommendation no. 38
29.	127	Expedite implementation of the reform of the judicial system and intensify within the system a culture of systematic respect of human rights	Cabo Verde	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 7, 11, 97.
30.	128	Continue to take measures to secure the rule of law, including by establishing a criminal justice system that gives due consideration to human rights	Japan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 11, 37, 38, 42, 43, 47, 52, 55.
31.	129	Continue to enhance the rule of law, the legal and judicial system and mechanisms in the country to promote and protect human rights	Malaysia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II
32.	130	Continue strengthening the judiciary based on the principles of the independence of judges and prosecutors and ensure equal access for all to the justice system	Serbia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 39.
33.	131	Pursue efforts in the field of judicial reform and upgrade laws to reflect the will and interest of all segments of society	Syrian Arab Republic	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II and Paragraphs 55.

34.	132	Strengthen its judicial system and take effective measures to fight poverty	Angola	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections A and B, part II and Paragraphs 15, 16, 25, 59, 60, 68, 81, 82, 89.
35.	89	Continue to reduce offences subjected to the death penalty	Belgium	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
36.	90	Continue to work towards reducing the number of crimes subject to the death penalty	Namibia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
37.	92	Reduce the list of crimes punishable by death penalty, in particular economic crimes and those linked to drugs, and examine the possibility of introducing a moratorium	Switzerland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
38.	94	Consider at least further restricting the use of the death penalty only for the most serious crimes, as stated in article 6 of ICCPR with a view to soon adopting a de facto moratorium on executions	Italy	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
39.	95	Continue reform towards eventual abolition of the death penalty, including greater transparency around its use	New Zealand	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
40.	114	Continue using its sovereign right to apply the death penalty as a tool of criminal justice in accordance with the proper safeguards specified under international human rights law	Egypt	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 43.
41.	156	Give space to non-state media, and that make Criminal Code Articles 79, 88 and 258 more specific and consistent with international human	Australia	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-54. The revision of the Criminal Code (including the update of national security provisions) and the Press Law

		<p>rights obligations on freedom of expression</p>			<p>(including the elaboration of Articles 14 and 25 of the 2013 Constitution on freedom of expression and freedom of the press) had been undertaken thoroughly according to due process, taking into account various contributions through consultations with legal experts, social organizations, non-governmental organizations and the public. The drafts were discussed and adopted at the National Assembly in conformity with regulations on legislation.</p> <p>For instance, in the 2015 Criminal Code, many national security provisions have been provided with further details. The former Article 88 in the 1999 Criminal Code on “Propagandizing against the State” has been updated as Article 117 on “Making, storing, spreading or propagandizing information, documents, and materials for the purposes of opposing the State of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam”, which identified more clearly the activities that constitute this crime. The former Article 258 in 1999 Criminal Code has also been converted to the new Article 331 where “grave violations” has been further identified as activities that would “negatively affect public security, order and safety”. Furthermore, the 2015</p>
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					Criminal Code also added Article 167 on “Activities violating freedom of speech, freedom of the press and the right to access to information and the right to protest of citizens.”
42.	157	Amend the provisions concerning offences against national security which could restrict freedom of expression, including on the Internet, particularly articles 79, 88 and 258 of the Penal Code, to ensure its compliance with Viet Nam’s international obligations, including ICCPR	Canada	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52-54. Similar to 156.
IV. Adhering to international human rights instruments				17/19	
43.	1	Continue efforts to ratify international human rights instruments, to which Viet Nam is not yet a party/ Consider signing and ratifying the main international human rights treaties/Continue its accession to international human rights treaties/Ratify international instruments to which Viet Nam is not yet a party;	Nicaragua, Albania, Azerbaijan, Niger	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
44.	9	Continue efforts to accede to international human rights treaties, particularly the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment (CAT)	Kazakhstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
45.	10	Take the necessary steps for timely ratification of CAT	Denmark	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.

46.	11	Ensure prompt ratification of CAT	Belgium	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
47.	12	Ratify CAT/Accede to CAT	Gabon, Mali, Slovakia, Togo	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
48.	13	Ratify CAT as soon as possible	Poland, Switzerland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
49.	14	Quickly ratify and implement CAT	United States of America	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
50.	17	Withdraw reservations to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and take appropriate measures to combat more effectively discriminatory stereotypes	Gabon	Partially implemented	Consideration and implementation of legal procedures to withdraw the reservations are ongoing. The measures to combat discriminatory stereotypes are demonstrated in Paragraphs 80, 81, 82, 83 in the present Report.
51.	18	Consider ratifying the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (ICRMW)/Consider acceding to ICRMW	Algeria, Egypt	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. Relevant Vietnamese agencies have undertaken studies with a view to draft a plan for accession.
52.	19	Step up efforts to review its domestic legislations and policies with a view to ratifying ICRMW	Philippines	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. Relevant Vietnamese agencies have undertaken studies with a view to draft a plan for accession.
53.	20	Complete the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)	Turkey	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28.
54.	21	Ratify CRPD, CAT, CPED and ICRMW	Burkina Faso	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. Viet Nam has ratified the CRPD and CAT,

					and has undertaken studies with a view to drafting a plan on accession to the CPED and ICRMW.
55.	22	Continue efforts undertaken to ensure ratification of CPED, as well as the main international human rights instruments, to which the country is not yet a party	Argentina	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. Similar to Recommendation no. 21.
56.	23	Consider ratifying CPED /Accede to CPED	Iraq/Uruguay	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. The recommendation suggested an action of “considering”. A Committee has been founded to look into accession to the CPED.
57.	24	Consider ratifying outstanding human rights treaties and the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and withdraw existing reservations to treaties, to which Viet Nam is a party	Slovenia	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. The recommendation suggested an action of “considering”. Viet Nam has ratified CRPD and CAT. The possibility of ratifying other instruments is being studied by relevant agencies.
58.	25	Continue the ratification of international human rights instruments, considering, in particular, ratification of the Rome Statute	Romania	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 28. Viet Nam has ratified the CRPD and CAT. The possibility of ratifying other instruments is being studied by relevant agencies.
59.	26	Consider ratifying the Rome Statute/Take into consideration the possibility of acceding to the Rome Statute/Ratify the Rome Statute	Estonia, Italy, Greece, Uruguay	Ongoing	Similar to Recommendation no. 24.
60.	28	Consider ratifying other pending fundamental International Labour Organization (ILO) Conventions such as	Uruguay	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 31. The recommendation suggested an action of “considering”. Since the last review,

		Convention No. 189 (2011) concerning decent work for domestic workers			Viet Nam has ratified one (01) more ILO convention and has established a roadmap to join others.
61.	29	Harmonize its legislation, regulations and policies with ILO Convention No. 29 (1930) concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour and No. 138 (1973) concerning Minimum Age for Admission to Employment	Uruguay	Partially Implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 31. The 2015 Criminal Code added a provision for the offense of coercive labor (Article 297). Viet Nam has also been gradually mainstreaming the regulations of ILO Convention 138 in the domestic legal frameworks.
V. Implementing international human rights obligations				7/7	
62.	2	In its implementation of Constitution article 69, ensure compliance with its obligations under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)	Norway	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 8-10 and Section A, part III.
63.	3	Continue to strengthen its efforts to promote and protect fundamental freedoms and rights guaranteed under ICCPR	Republic of Korea	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section A, part III.
64.	4	Ensure that any law governing the Internet is in compliance with the international human rights obligations of Viet Nam as a State party to ICCPR	Belgium	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52.
65.	34	Ensure that the 1999 Penal Code and 2003 Criminal Procedures Code, and their implementation are consistent with its international human rights obligations	Norway	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 11, 37, 38, 42, 47, 52, 55.
66.	68	Further strengthen cooperation with human rights mechanisms, improve	Poland	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 25, 26 and Section E, part II.

		compliance with treaty body reporting mechanisms and consider accession to the First Optional Protocol to ICCPR			Viet Nam has submitted the 3rd National Report on the Implementation of ICCPR; continued to fully cooperate with UN human rights mechanisms; including receiving the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to food (November 2017). The possibility of acceding to the First Optional Protocol to the ICCPR is under consideration.
67.	69	Fully address recommendations and issues of concern raised by the Committee on the Rights of the Child with regard to child abuses and allocation of economic resources	Albania	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 19, 22, 24, 30, 77-79.
68.	171	Fulfill its obligation under ICCPR and fully guarantee the freedom of assembly and freedom of expression on the Internet as well as offline to all its citizens	Germany	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 5, 52-55.
VI. Protecting the rights of vulnerable groups				35/35	
69.	47	Strengthen policies to protect children, vulnerable groups and the disadvantaged	Madagascar	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.
70.	48	Take effective measures to better guarantee the rights of vulnerable groups such as women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities	Myanmar	Fully implemented	On people with disabilities: Paragraphs 69-72, the elderly: Paragraphs 73-74; women: Paragraphs 75-76; children: Paragraphs 77-79.
71.	49	Continue to take appropriate measures and to provide adequate resources to ensure the socio-economic rights of vulnerable groups	Madagascar	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.

72.	54	Build the capacity for officers whose work concerns protection of the rights of vulnerable groups, especially children and persons with disabilities	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 21,27,79.
73.	55	Continue policies aimed at reducing inequalities in access to the full enjoyment of human rights by all social groups with paying special attention to women, children and persons with disabilities	Kazakhstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.
74.	56	Continue to carry out the policy on the protection and promotion of human rights of vulnerable groups, including children, women, persons with disabilities, and elderly persons	Russian Federation	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.
75.	57	Continue improving the living standards of poor persons and those living in remote areas to which access is difficult	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 25, 59, 60, 68, 81, 82, 89, 90.
76.	79	Accelerate fulfillment of its voluntary commitments as a member of the Council, especially by increasing resources to ensure social security and welfare of its citizens as well as the rights of vulnerable groups	Brunei Darussalam	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 32 and Section C, part III.
77.	80	Continue efforts in implementing its National Strategy on Gender Equality	Cambodia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 20, 21, 76, 81.
78.	84	Eliminate all forms of discrimination against girls, and ensure gender mainstreaming in all anti-discrimination policies and programs	Slovenia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 75,76.

79.	85	Further implement relevant measures to protect women's and children's rights to improve women's status in economic, social and family life, and to combat violence against women	China	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 20, 21, 29, 34, 35, 75-79.
80.	86	Continue implementation of policies to combat discrimination against people from disadvantaged groups, including providing them with access to social security, health services, education and housing	Serbia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.
81.	87	Combat discrimination against women through anti-trafficking legislation; by ensuring women's entitlement to land in the Land Law; and by curbing domestic violence and violations of reproductive rights	Netherlands	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 20, 21, 34, 35, 76.
82.	88	Enact a law to fight against discrimination which guarantees the equality of all citizens, regardless of their sexual orientation and gender identity	Chile	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 9, 20. The 2013 Constitution asserts the general principle of non-discrimination. Articles 36, 37 of the 2015 Civil Code and Article 3 of the 2014 Law on Civil Status allow the "right for gender re-registration" and civil status change after gender change of the citizen. Article 130 of the 1999 Criminal Code on the offense of "violating the equal rights of women" has been updated into Article 165 of the 2015 Criminal Code on "violating gender equality rights" which further cover men, homosexuals,

					bisexuals and other people with different sexual orientations and gender identities. Furthermore, the Law on Gender Transformation is being drafted and is in the process of consultation before submission to the National Assembly for consideration in the future.
83.	119	Ensure in law and in practice the protection of women against all forms of violence	Canada	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 20, 21, 75, 76.
84.	120	Strengthen the national system of investigating complaints of child abuse and neglect, eliminate violence against children, and establish policies to protect children from all forms of violence	Poland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 19, 77-79.
85.	121	Develop alternative measures to deprivation of children's liberty and provide children with rehabilitation and reintegration programs	Republic of Moldova	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 19, 77-79.
86.	122	Pursue efforts to combat human trafficking, especially of women	Yemen	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 35, 84-86.
87.	124	Undertake measures targeted at vulnerable groups, particularly children, in order to prevent trafficking in human beings for labor and sexual exploitation	Republic of Moldova	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 35, 84-86.
88.	125	Intensify action against child prostitution, child trafficking and the use of children in the sex trade, in accordance with the 2011–2015 action plan against prostitution	Mexico	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 77, 79, 84-86.

89.	126	Enhance support for the reintegration of victims of trafficking, especially women and children	India	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 84-86.
90.	179	Undertake measures to enhance the participation of women in legislative, judicial and executive bodies	Pakistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 75.
91.	192	Exert greater efforts to further reduce the child mortality rate	Ethiopia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 64.
92.	205	Continue its efforts to ensure the rights of persons with disabilities, including through the finalization of the ratification of CRPD	Indonesia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 22, 28, 69-72.
93.	206	Continue efforts to adopt the requisite measures to enable people with disabilities, especially children, to have access to the necessary education and health care, and to combat any discrimination against them	Libya	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 19, 22, 69-72.
94.	207	Continue to step up measures aimed at eradicating discrimination and social prejudices against ethnic minorities and persons with disabilities	Argentina	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 69-72, 80-83.
95.	208	Continue efforts to promote and protect human rights of ethnic minorities	Ecuador	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 80-83.
96.	209	Develop appropriate policies and measures to effectively support ethnic minorities	Islamic Republic of Iran	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 80-83.
97.	210	Continue working on national programs directed to protect the rights of the country's minorities	Nicaragua	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 80-83.

98.	211	Undertake awareness-raising campaigns to change the mindset regarding persons belonging to ethnic minorities, and remedy the lack of a legislative framework designed to guarantee non-discrimination	Congo	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 80-83.
99.	212	Take more adequate measures to provide education to ethnic minorities	South Sudan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65, 83.
100.	213	Ensure without delay effective protection of the rights of ethnic and religious minorities	Cabo Verde	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
101.	214	Respect the rights of ethnic and religious minorities and take the necessary measures to prevent and halt persecution, forced eviction and confiscation of their property	Mexico	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
102.	216	Continue in its endeavor to establish a broad-based, sustainable and participatory development framework to reach the disadvantaged groups of society	Ethiopia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part III.
103.	217	Adopt policies that will allow the active involvement of minority communities through consultation and participation in decision-making processes relating to areas affecting them, particularly on development issues	Namibia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 81.

VII. International cooperation on human rights				10/11	
104.	66	Consider further cooperation with the international human rights monitoring mechanisms, including treaty bodies and Special procedures of the Human Rights Council	Turkmenistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
105.	67	Continue its cooperation with the High Commissioner for Human Rights, treaty bodies and special procedures mandate holders	Chad	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
106.	70	Consider extending a standing invitation to special procedures(Slovenia)/Consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council	Slovenia/ Latvia	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 33. Since the last review, Viet Nam has received a number of Special Procedures mandate holders, most recently the Special Rapporteur on the right to food. For other Special Procedures, Viet Nam is considering extending invitations at a suitable time.
107.	74	Respond positively to the requests of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression for a visit	Mexico	Further consideration required on timing for implementation	Demonstrated in Paragraph 33. Similar to Recommendation no. 70.
108,	75	Continue its active engagement with the United Nations human rights mechanisms for the protection and promotion of human rights	Azerbaijan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
109.	76	Continue cooperation with all mechanisms of the Human Rights Council	Romania	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.

110.	77	Work on strengthening international cooperation in the field of human rights	Turkmenistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
111.	78	Actively participate in the work of the Human Rights Council on the basis of dialogue and cooperation to contribute to enhancement of the capacity, effectiveness, transparency and objectivity of the Council	Pakistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
112.	123	Continue to be actively engaged in regional human rights bodies, particularly those concerning the promotion and protection of the rights of women and combating trafficking in persons	The Philippines	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 34, 35.
113.	225	Share its successful experiences on poverty reduction, food security and the fight against epidemics	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
114.	227	Participate actively in the international programs of technical assistance and capacity-building in the field of human rights	Turkmenistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section E, part II.
VIII. Economic, social and cultural rights				32/32	
115.	138	Provide, in accordance with its obligations under international human rights instruments, effective protection for the family as the fundamental and natural unit of society	Egypt	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 19, 21.

116.	180	Protect internationally recognized workers' rights and enforce laws prohibiting forced labor	United States of America	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 24, 31. The 2013 Constitution and the 2012 Labor Law have provisions prohibiting discrimination and forced labor. In practice, information and education campaigns, as well as inspection and handling of violations of forced labor are being conducted effectively. Viet Nam has become a member of the ILO Convention 29 on forced labor and established a roadmap to join ILO Convention 105.
117.	181	Pursue efforts to create new job opportunities and to promote a legal framework for the labor market	Syrian Arab Republic	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 31, 59, 62, 70.
118.	182	Study and develop a more effective and convenient public service system, especially in social insurance, education and training, health care and legal assistance	Timor Leste	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section B, part II and Paragraphs 38, 40.
119.	183	Continue to make every effort to promote economic and social development, further increase the level of social security and better promote people's livelihood	China	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section B, part II.
120.	184	Increase resources from the State budget and mobilize more financial resources from international cooperation to implement policies on social security	Timor Leste	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section B, part II.
121.	185	Improve access by disadvantaged groups to social security	The State of Palestine	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part II.

122.	186	Continue implementing policies and programs to assist poor people, improve their standard of living and ensure their access to social services	Syrian Arab Republic	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 59, 60, 62, 68.
123.	187	Continue appropriate measures to ensure the realization of the socioeconomic rights of its people and to provide adequate resources for vulnerable groups facing economic challenges	Iran	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section C, part II.
124.	188	Continue its efforts to improve access to education, housing and health-care services	Singapore	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 17, 19 and Sections B and C, part III.
125.	189	Focus on mitigating income inequalities, providing equal opportunities in education and employment, and improving social security and health services for all segments of the population	Turkey	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 59, 60, 61, 81.
126.	190	Continue to take measures to guarantee poverty reduction and universal access to health services and education	Cuba	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 59, 60, 62, 68.
127.	191	Extend the scope of health insurance coverage for poor families	Kyrgyzstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 60.
128.	193	Ensure education free of charge in practice	Kyrgyzstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65, 66, 72, 83. The policy on education being free-of-charge are codified in legal documents on education and training, including the 2013 Constitution (Paragraph 2 and 3 Article 61); the Law on Education and

					the Amended Law on Education (Paragraph 2 and 3, Articles 89 and Paragraph 1 105), Decree 86/2015/ND-CP and the Government's Resolution 46/NQ-CP of 2017.
129.	194	Improve its efforts on educational reform towards a comprehensive education policy with a particular focus on vulnerable groups, including children, person with disabilities and minorities	Iran	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65, 66, 72, 77, 83.
130.	195	Further develop the quality of education and health-care policies in the country	Kazakhstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 19, 60, 65, 66, 72, 73, 83.
131.	196	Further expand efforts to provide all its citizens with access to school and to ensure equal enjoyment of the right to education, and increase bilingual education programs	Afghanistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65, 66, 83.
132.	197	Strengthen activities in favor of rural areas by focusing on education and on preventing disadvantaged children from dropping out of school	Senegal	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65, 66.
133.	198	Continue increasing investment in education and health through its successful social policies	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 60, 65, 66, 72, 73, 83, 88.
134.	199	Continue intensifying efforts to provide high quality education and medical services to the population, including in remote rural areas	Belarus	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 61, 65, 66.

135.	200	Continue its efforts to reduce inequality in education, particularly the quality gap in education between urban and rural areas	Bhutan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 61, 65, 66.
136.	201	Continue to improve access to education in rural areas	India	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 65.
137.	202	Increase investments aimed at closing the quality gap between education in urban and rural, remote areas or those with ethnic minorities, as well as investments aimed at increasing education on the content of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and core international human rights instruments	The State of Palestine	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 27, 65, 66.
138.	203	Continue to improve the quality of education in rural and mountainous areas, and consider increasing the subsidy allocated to education in those areas	Algeria	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 25, 67.
139.	204	Pursue efforts to overcome challenges relating to improvement of the quality of education and to close the gap between urban, rural and remote areas	Syrian Arab Republic	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 25,61,62,67.
140.	215	Combat poverty among migrant workers	Kyrgyzstan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 35, 45. Viet Nam has undertaken steps to support the employment of migrant workers; however, external challenges persist, requiring further technical assistance from development partners.

141.	218	Continue development programs, especially in rural areas	Oman	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 21, 25, 61, 68, 74.
142.	220	Continue national poverty reduction efforts	Sudan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 59, 60, 62, 68.
143.	221	Continue its efforts in a systematic way to ensure the eradication of hunger and extreme poverty	Greece	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 16, 17, 59, 60, 62, 68.
144.	222	Continue to take steps to gradually bridge the gap in the standard of living between urban and rural areas	India	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections B and C, part III.
145.	223	Take further measures to ensure equitable and sustainable poverty reduction giving particular attention to vulnerable groups, especially in rural areas	Sri Lanka	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Sections B and C, part III.
146.	224	Reduce the disparities in the quality of education between urban, rural, remote areas or areas inhabited by ethnic minorities	Morocco	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 25,61,62,67, 81-83.
IX. Civil and political rights				34/36	
147.	133	Take the necessary measures to guarantee its citizens' right to equality before the law, to be presumed innocent until proven guilty, and to a fair and public trial, as well as the right to freedom from arbitrary arrest or detention	Canada	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 37, 38, 39, 40.

148.	134	Guarantee the right of all persons to a fair trial and, in particular, allow for the presence without restriction of observers at court hearings	Luxembourg	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 38, 39.
149.	135	Ensure that efficient procedures and responsive mechanisms for effective and equal access to lawyers are provided for at all stages of legal proceedings	Denmark	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 37-40. New provisions of the Criminal Code, Criminal Procedure Code and the Law on Legal Assistance have just become effective and implemented. Full nationwide implementation requires additional time and resources (in the cases of other countries, it would take 3-5 years to universalize the implementation of new regulations on Criminal procedures).
150.	137	Guarantee the right to family visits and legal assistance, in particular during police inquiries	Switzerland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 40, 56-58.
151.	139	Adjust the regulatory and legal framework to comply with international human rights standards in order to guarantee freedom of religion	Chile	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
152.	140	Continue its policies and programs to promote religious tolerance and harmony in society	Singapore	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
153.	141	Encourage Viet Nam to continue to improve conditions of worship for all, enhance exchange of laws, and disseminate values of tolerance and peace with a view to developing principles of interfaith dialogue	United Arab Emirates	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.

154.	142	Adopt further measures aimed at better guaranteeing freedom of religion, particularly by eliminating bureaucratic and administrative obstacles, which hinder the activities carried out by religious communities and groups	Italy	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
155.	143	Reduce administrative obstacles and registration requirements applicable to peaceful religious activities by registered and non-registered religious groups in order to guarantee freedom of religion or belief	Canada	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51.
156.	144	Further implement measures aimed at promoting freedom of expression and association and freedom of the media in line with the most advanced international standards	Italy	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
157.	145	Take all necessary action to respect and promote the right to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and association in line with its international human rights obligations	Lithuania	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
158.	146	Actively promote steps to guarantee freedom of expression, as well as the freedom and independence of the press, including on the Internet	Japan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
159.	147	Ensure that Viet Nam complies with its international obligations regarding freedom of expression, religion and assembly	Belgium	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-55.

160.	148	Allow bloggers, journalists, other internet users and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) to promote and protect human rights specifically by ensuring that laws concerning the Internet comply with the freedom of expression and information	The Netherlands	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
161.	149	Protect and guarantee respect for freedom of information and expression, particularly for journalists, bloggers and human rights defenders, and undertake a review of legislation governing the press to ensure its compliance with international standards	Luxembourg	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
162.	150	Take steps to amend its Penal Code to ensure that it cannot be applied in an arbitrary manner to prevent freedom of expression	Finland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52.
163.	153	Protect freedom of expression both offline and online by bringing legislation such as Decrees 2 and 72 into compliance with international human rights law	New Zealand	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52, 53, 54. Decree 02/2011/ND-CP regarding the punishment for administrative offenses in journalism and publishing is no longer in effect. Decree 72/2013/ND-CP on the management, provision and use of Internet service and online information has been amended and updated with a number of provisions in Decree 27/2018/ND-CP so as to be in conformity with the Laws on Investment and Enterprises. Decree

					27/2018/ND-CP has been amended and voided various provisions on the conditions and procedures for Internet businesses in order to allow a more conducive environment for businesses, to support individuals, entities and businesses in their activities as well as in preparing their applications for license in the areas of digital information, telecommunication. Decree 27/2018 became effective on April 15, 2018.
164.	154	Revise “Decree 72” and “Decree 174” relating to the management, provision and use of the Internet, to ensure their consistency with international human rights obligations, and in particular with Articles 19, 21 and 22 of ICCPR	Ireland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52. Decree 72, similar to Recommendation No. 153. On Decree 174, a replacement Decree is being drafted.
165.	155	Ensure that Decree 72, concerning the management, provision and use of Internet services and information online, is implemented in a manner that does not limit individuals’ rights to voice their opinions online	Finland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52, 54. Similar to Recommendation no. 153
166.	158	Take the necessary measures to protect freedom of expression and press freedom, including through the Internet	Brazil	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Section A, part III.
167.	159	Undertake measures enabling unrestricted access and use of the Internet to all citizens and undertake measures to guarantee the freedom of	Estonia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52, 54. Since 2014, Viet Nam has adopted the Law on Access to Information (2014) and amended the Press Law (2016).

		opinion and expression to everyone, as well as the freedom of press and media in the country			
168.	161	Guarantee the right to freedom of expression both offline and online, and bring Decree 72 into line with international human rights obligations	Austria	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52, 53, 54. Similar to Recommendation no. 153
169.	162	Give individuals, groups and organs of society the legitimacy and recognition to promote human rights and express their opinions or dissent publicly	Norway	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 6, 9, 11, 52-55.
170.	163	Ensure that its legal framework allows for free and independent operation of national and international media in accordance with its international human rights obligations under ICCPR	Norway	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-54.
171.	164	In line with its previous commitments, take all measures to ensure that freedom of expression, including on the Internet, is fully guaranteed in law and practice by bringing its legislation in line with the obligations of Viet Nam under ICCPR	Hungary	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-54.
172.	165	Create conditions favorable to the realization of freedom of expression, both online and offline, freedom of association, and freedom of religion and belief	Poland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 47-51, 52-55.
173.	166	Ensure that freedom of expression is protected both offline and online and amend or remove vague provisions in the	Sweden	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52, 53, 54.

		penal code, as well as new legislation to make sure that limitations on freedom of expression are strictly in line with ICCPR			
174.	167	Ensure a favorable environment for the activities of human rights defenders, journalists and other civil society actors	Tunisia	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
175.	168	Implement in a more effective manner the recommendations guaranteeing the right to freedom of expression	Chile	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 52-55.
176.	169	Encourage strengthening of NGOs by promoting a legal, administrative and fiscal framework in which such institutions can be created and developed and perform their activities without any obstacles and with freedom of expression	Spain	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52. Domestic non-governmental organizations are established and operate according to the regulations of Decree 45/2010/ND-CP dated April 21, 2010 on the organization, activities and management of associations; Decree 33/2012/ND-CP dated April 13, 2012 on the amendments and updates for a number of provisions of Decree 45/2010; Decree 30/2012/ND-CP dated April 12, 2012 on the organization and activities of social and charity funds. The Law on the Press (2016) allowed more entities to establish scientific magazines and added provisions on collaboration in press activities, which allows individuals and entities having proper business licenses to take part in journalistic activities. This shall better ensure the rights of citizens to freedom of the press and freedom of expression.

177.	170	Maintain the momentum of development of the mass media, including the Internet, so as to protect freedom of expression	Pakistan	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 54.
178.	172	Take measures to ensure freedom of association, peaceful assembly and demonstration	France	Partially implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 55. The 2013 Constitution ensures these freedoms. The laws on Association and Demonstration are being drafted and consultation is under way. The 2015 Criminal Code (Article 167) codifies the offense of violating a number of citizens' rights, including the right to demonstration. Furthermore, relevant agencies of Viet Nam have been working on revision of legal regulations on association, social and charity funds in order to address obstacles, and simplify administrative procedures to better enable associations, social and charity funds to make contribution to national socio-economic development.
179.	173	Facilitate the development of a safe and enabling environment for all civil society actors to freely associate and express their views by ensuring that national legislative provisions are not invoked to stifle legitimate and peaceful dissent	Ireland	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraph 52.
180.	174	Take concrete steps to create a friendly environment for NGOs, including by easing their registration requirements	Czech Republic	Ongoing	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 36, 47, 55. The draft Law on Association, which includes provisions on application for the foundation of an association, is being discussed and further improved. The draft

					has been reviewed by the National Assembly and public feedback been collected on several occasions.
181.	175	Enact laws to provide for and regulate freedom of assembly and peaceful demonstration in line with ICCPR	Australia	Ongoing	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 36, 47, 55. Similar to Recommendation no. 174.
182.	178	Deepen grass-roots democracy and better facilitate the right of the people to participate in the formulation and implementation of policies, such as the participation of political and social organizations in the field of human rights	Myanmar	Fully implemented	Demonstrated in Paragraphs 9, 13-14, 29, 55.