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Fighting Corruption through the UPR

The Universal Periodic Review (UPR) is a mechanism of the Human Rights Council that reviews the human rights situation in all UN Member States. States provide recommendations for improving their practices in this area.

Although it is a state-led process, the UPR offers significant opportunities for civil society actors to engage and advocate for enhanced human rights in their countries.

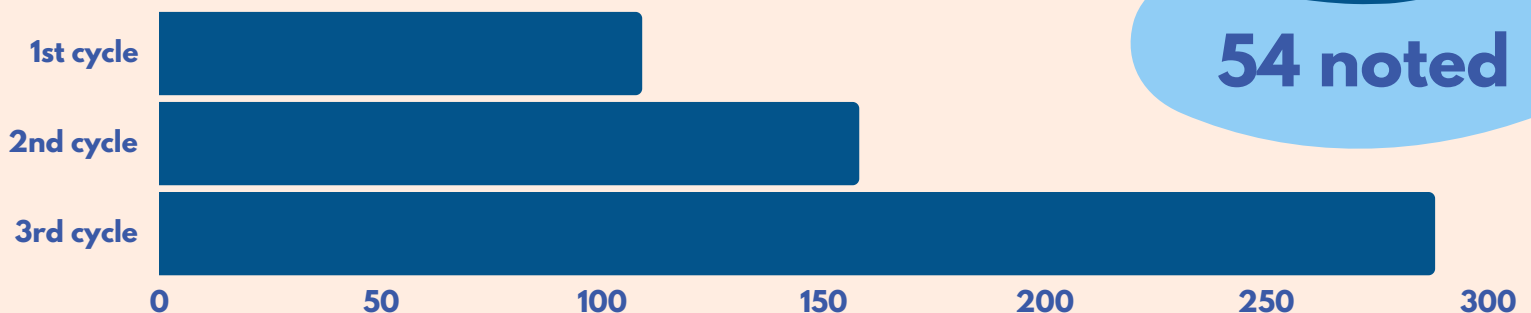
Since its establishment, 636 recommendations addressing corruption eradication have been made in the UPR.

Overall recommendations supported

577

54 noted

Number of recommendations addressing corruption per UPR cycle



So far, in the 4th UPR cycle (2022-2027) there have been 81 recommendations on the topic, out of which 68 were supported and 13 noted.

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Corruption undermines sustainable development by threatening the stability and security of societies, as well as national institutions, justice, and the rule of law. It also hinders gender equality (SDG 5) and limits access to fair and adequate health care (SDG 3).

States can either support or note UPR recommendations. By supporting them, States commit to implementing those measures. UPR recommendations can be utilised by civil society actors in their advocacy efforts at the national level in fighting corruption.

Examples of UPR recommendations addressing corruption

USA



Antigua
and Barbuda



88.91 Implement the Government's proposal for fighting corruption domestically and in the Caribbean and address recommendations received through the Mechanism for Follow-up on the Implementation of the Inter-American Convention against Corruption peer review process.

104.70 Intensify the fight against money-laundering by continuing the necessary reforms aimed at strengthening cooperation in the field of exchange of information with States parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption.



Angola



Panama

The UPR can reinforce recommendations from the UN Convention against Corruption and other international obligations.

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