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International law as it relates to national sovereignty, non-intervention in the internal affairs of States and human rights

***Amendments to the revised preliminary draft resolution submitted
within the statutory deadline by the delegations of Canada, China, Cuba, France,
India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Monaco, Romania, Spain, Switzerland,
Ukraine, the United Kingdom and Venezuela***

TITLE

Amend the title to read as follows:

~~International law as it relates to~~ National sovereignty, non-intervention in the internal
affairs of States **and the need to respect, promote and protect international** human
rights

(Switzerland)

PREAMBLE

Preambular paragraph 1

Amend to read as follows:

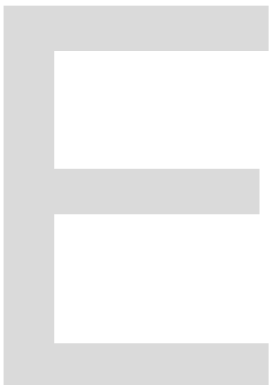
(1) *Recalling* the relevant provisions of previous resolutions of the Inter-Parliamentary
Union and the United Nations General Assembly with regard to international law, national
sovereignty, non-intervention in the internal affairs of States and human rights, ~~and the
body of relevant legal instruments of the United Nations, particularly~~ **and the UN Charter,**
~~and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,~~ **the Vienna Declaration and
Programme of Action and the relevant international human rights law instruments,**

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) *Recalling* the relevant provisions of previous resolutions of the Inter-Parliamentary
Union and the United Nations General Assembly with regard to international law, national
sovereignty, non-intervention in the internal affairs of States and human rights, and the
body of relevant legal instruments of the United Nations, particularly the UN Charter and
the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, **all of which are of paramount importance
to the promotion of the rule of law among nations,**

(Ukraine)



Amend to read as follows:

1) *Recalling* the relevant provisions of previous resolutions of the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the United Nations General Assembly with regard to international law, **human rights**, national sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States ~~and human rights~~, and the body of relevant legal instruments of the United Nations, particularly the UN Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

(India)

New preambular paragraph 1bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 1 to read as follows:

(1bis) *Underlining* the obligations of all States under Article 2 of the UN Charter to refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State, and to settle international disputes by peaceful means,

(Ukraine)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 1 to read as follows:

(1bis) *Underscoring* that, under the Charter, one of the purposes of the United Nations is to develop friendly relations among nations, based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, and to take other appropriate measures to strengthen universal peace,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 2

Amend to read as follows:

(2) *Reaffirming* that the sovereign equality of States is the basis for international cooperation and an **essential** factor of stability,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

New preambular paragraph 2bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 2 to read as follows:

(2bis) *Reaffirming* that cooperation between States is based on the principle of sovereign equality of States, and that therefore no State is subordinate to any other,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 3

Amend to read as follows:

(3) *Considering* that international law defines the legal responsibilities of States in **the conduct of their international relations and establishes the obligations of each State towards all individuals within its territory and subject to its jurisdiction** ~~their conduct with each other, and their treatment of individuals within State boundaries,~~

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) *Considering* that international law defines the legal responsibilities of States in their conduct with each other, and **determines** their treatment of individuals within **their territories and subject to their jurisdiction** ~~State boundaries,~~

(Switzerland)

New preambular paragraph 3bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 3 to read as follows:

(3bis) *Recalling the permanent responsibility of each individual State to protect its populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity,*
(Canada)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 3 to read as follows:

(3bis) *Recognizing the abiding concern of all States to ensure respect for the rights and obligations arising from treaties to which they are parties and from other sources of international law,*
(Ukraine)

New preambular paragraphs 4bis, 4ter and 4quater

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 4 to read as follows:

(4bis) *Reaffirming that all human rights are universal, indivisible, interrelated, interdependent and mutually reinforcing, and that all human rights must be treated in a fair and equal manner, on the same footing and with the same emphasis,*

(4ter) *Reaffirming further that, while national and regional particularities and historical, cultural and religious contexts must be borne in mind, all States, regardless of their political, economic and cultural systems, have the duty to promote and protect all human rights and fundamental freedoms,*

(4quater) *Emphasizing the responsibilities of all States, in conformity with the UN Charter, to respect human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction of any kind on the basis of race, colour, sex, language or religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status,*

(Switzerland)

Preambular paragraph 5

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Stressing that an independent judiciary and active civil society and community organizations are is an important components of the rule of law at the national level and necessary to guarantee the protection of human rights, and recognizing the contribution made by civil society to the promotion and protection of human rights,*

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Stressing that an independent judiciary, and active civil society and community organizations are important components of a responsible and accountable administration and an informed citizenry can strengthen the rule of law at the national level and necessary are important to guarantee the protection of human rights,*

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Stressing that representative, accountable and inclusive institutions, an independent judiciary, independent media and active civil society and community organizations are important components of the rule of law at the national and international levels and necessary to guarantee democracy and the protection of human rights,*

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Stressing* that an independent judiciary and active civil society and community organizations are important components of the rule of law at the national level and necessary to guarantee **respect for and the promotion and** protection of human rights,

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Stressing* that an independent judiciary and active civil society and community organizations are important components of the rule of law at the national level and necessary to guarantee the protection of **all** human rights,

(Cuba)

Preambular paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

(6) *Aware* that the rule of law, ~~peace and security~~, human rights and sustainable development are strongly interrelated and mutually reinforcing,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

New preambular paragraph 6bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 6 to read as follows:

(6bis) Mindful that justice, particularly transnational justice in conflict and post-conflict societies, is a prerequisite for achieving sustainable peace, and reiterating that States bear primary responsibility for investigating and prosecuting international crimes,

(Romania)

Preambular paragraph 7

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Noting* the universal nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the **obligation of solemn commitment made by** all States to respect, observe and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all **individuals within their territory and subject to their jurisdiction people**, and *underscoring* that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Noting* the universal nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the solemn commitment made by all States to respect, observe and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all people; **further noting that the universality of human rights can best be achieved through an understanding of the cultural diversity of societies;** and *underscoring* that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Noting* the universal, **indivisible, interdependent and interrelated** nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the solemn commitment made by all States to respect, observe and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all people, and *underscoring* that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Noting* the universal nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the solemn commitment made by all States to respect, observe and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all people, **including refugees, displaced persons and those under occupation**, and underscoring that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(Jordan)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Noting* the universal nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the solemn commitment made by all States to respect, **promote** ~~observe~~ and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all people, and *underscoring* that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) **Reaffirming** ~~Noting~~ the universal nature of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the solemn commitment made by all States to respect, observe and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all people, and *underscoring* that this is fully compatible with the principles of State sovereignty and non-intervention in the internal affairs of States enshrined in the UN Charter,

(India)

New preambular paragraph 7bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 7 to read as follows:

(7bis) Underscoring the central role played by the UN Human Rights Council as a means of monitoring State policy for the promotion and protection of fundamental rights,

(France)

Preambular paragraph 8

Amend to read as follows:

(8) *Recalling* the responsibility of **Occupying Powers** States for the protection of the human rights of persons living in the occupied territories, **in accordance with the 1907 Hague Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land, the Fourth Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949 and other international humanitarian law instruments,**

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

8) *Recalling* the responsibility of occupying States **to uphold and protect** ~~for the protection of~~ the human rights of persons living in occupied territories,

(Monaco)

Preambular paragraph 9

Amend to read as follows:

(9) *Recognizing* that the **promotion and** protection of human rights is a **priority** ~~matter of concern~~ for all members of the international community,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

(9) *Recognizing* that the **promotion and** protection of human rights is a matter of concern for all members of the international community,
(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(9) *Recognizing* that the protection of human rights is a matter **that** ~~of concerns~~ ~~for~~ all members of the international community,
(India)

New preambular paragraph 9bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 9 to read as follows:

(9bis) *Recalling* the resolution adopted by the 128th IPU Assembly (Quito, 2013) on *Enforcing the responsibility to protect: The role of parliament in safeguarding civilians' lives*, in particular operational paragraph 6 encouraging parliaments “to monitor the executive’s submission of country reports as required by the relevant treaty bodies, particularly those relating to human rights, [and] to become more involved with regional and international human rights mechanisms”,
(France)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 9 to read as follows:

(9bis) *Underscoring* that the Charter of the Organization of American States establishes that no State or group of States has the right to intervene, directly or indirectly, for any reason whatsoever, in the internal or external affairs of any other State, and that this principle prohibits not only the use of armed force, but also any other form of interference or attempted threat against the personality of the State,
(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 10

Delete and replace with:

(10) *Recognizing* that States must respect the human rights monitoring mechanisms established in the international human rights law instruments to which they are party ~~*Noting* that by ratifying international human rights law instruments, States accept the monitoring mechanisms foreseen in the instruments,~~
(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(10) ~~*Noting* that by ratifying international human rights law instruments, States accept the monitoring mechanisms foreseen in the instruments~~ **undertake to implement those instruments,**
(China)

Amend to read as follows:

(10) ~~*Noting* that by ratifying international human rights law instruments, States~~ **commit to implement those instruments, in practice and in law** ~~accept the monitoring mechanisms foreseen in the instruments,~~
(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(10) ~~*Noting* that by ratifying~~ **the core** international human rights law instruments, States **affirm their commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights,** ~~accept the monitoring mechanisms foreseen in the instruments,~~
(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(10) *Noting* that by ratifying international human rights law instruments, the States **parties** accept the ~~monitoring~~ mechanisms foreseen in the instruments,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Preambular paragraph 11

Delete and replace with:

(11) ***Considering* that the application of a “double standard” in statements on or reactions to violations of international human rights law will ultimately undermine the very validity of that law,** ~~*Considering* that instances of abuse of international human rights law mean that the system of implementation needs to be strengthened, but do not call into question the validity of the law itself,~~

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Considering* that instances of abuse of international human rights law mean that the system of implementation needs to be strengthened **so that it is not misused for political or other reasons,** but do not call into question the validity of the law itself,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Considering* that instances of **violation and** abuse of international human rights law mean that the system of implementation needs to be strengthened, but do not call into question the validity of the law itself,

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Considering* that instances of **violations abuse** of international human rights law mean that the system of implementation needs to be strengthened, but do not call into question the validity of the law itself,

(India)

New preambular paragraph 11bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 11 to read as follows:

(11bis) *Aware of the seriousness of the threats posed to international human rights law by the terrorist movements attempting to supersede the State by taking military action to seize territory and systematically murdering civilians,*

(France)

Add a new paragraph after paragraph 11 to read as follows:

(11bis) *Emphasizing the crucial role of parliaments in translating human rights obligations and commitments under international law into national policies and legislation, and in ensuring their fulfillment,*

(Romania)

Preambular paragraph 12

Amend to read as follows:

(12) *Desirous* of seeing positive developments in the system of international cooperation and the settlement of international disputes **between States** through dialogue and other peaceful means **of their own choice, in accordance with the UN Charter** ~~within the framework of the international-collective security system,~~

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

(12) *Desirous* of seeing positive developments in the system of international cooperation and the settlement of international disputes through dialogue and other peaceful means, within the framework of the **UN Charter** ~~international-collective security system,~~

(India)

Preambular paragraph 13

Delete the paragraph.

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(13) **Considering** ~~Convinced~~ that the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and the future Sustainable Development Goals **could** ~~will~~ greatly contribute to such developments,

(Cuba)

OPERATIVE PART

New paragraph 1bis

Add a new paragraph after paragraph 1 to read as follows:

1bis. Reiterates the principle of non-intervention in the internal affairs of other States, as a means of guaranteeing respect for human rights and democracy, and encourages States to respect and promote that principle;

(Venezuela)

Operative paragraph 2

Amend to read as follows:

2. *Reaffirms* its commitment to ~~an~~ **a democratic and equitable** international order based on the rule of law and *underlines* the essential role of parliaments in upholding the rule of law at the national level through their legislative and oversight functions;

(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 3

Amend to read as follows:

3. *Underscores* the importance of ensuring that **all human beings** ~~women~~, on the basis of ~~the~~ **justice and** equality ~~of men and women~~, fully enjoy the benefits of the rule of law, and **in this context** *restates* its determination to uphold ~~their~~ **the** equal rights of **women** and ensure their full and equal participation, including in institutions of governance and the judicial system;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

3. *Underscores* the importance of ensuring that women, on the basis of the equality of men and women, **and minorities** fully enjoy the benefits of the rule of law, and *restates* its determination to uphold their equal rights and ensure their full and equal participation, including in institutions of governance and the judicial system;

(Jordan)

Amend to read as follows:

3. *Underscores* the importance of ensuring that women, on the basis of the equality of men and women, fully enjoy the benefits of the rule of law, and *restates* its determination to uphold their equal rights and ensure their full and equal participation, including in **parliaments and all** institutions of governance, and **in** the judicial system;

(Romania)

New paragraph 3bis

Add a new paragraph after paragraph 3 to read as follows:

- 3bis. Underscores also the right of persons with special needs to fully enjoy their basic human rights, inter alia, the right to participate in all aspects of life, including politics and public affairs;**

(Jordan)

Operative paragraph 4

Amend to read as follows:

4. *Calls on* States to **consider ratifying** the core international human rights treaties and to fulfill their commitment to **promote**, respect and protect **all** human rights for all;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

4. ~~*Urges Calls on*~~ States to **consider ratifying** the core international human rights treaties and to fulfill their commitment to respect and protect human rights for all;

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

4. *Calls on* States to ratify the core international human rights treaties, **in accordance with their constitutional process**, and to fulfill their **treaty obligations** ~~commitment~~ to respect and protect human rights for all;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

4. *Calls on* States to ratify the core international human rights treaties and to fulfil their **obligations** ~~commitment~~ to respect and protect human rights **without discrimination** ~~for all~~;

(Canada)

Operative paragraph 5

Amend to read as follows:

5. ~~*Urges parliaments*~~ **States to adopt all appropriate legislative, administrative and other measures for the implementation of their** ~~ensure that States' obligations under international human rights law are translated into national legislation, in conformity with the original intention of the law, and~~ *calls on* parliaments to play an active role in overseeing the implementation of **those States' obligations**;

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

5. ~~*Urges parliaments to ensure that*~~ **to take such action as is required by their constitutional process to reflect** States' obligations under international human rights law ~~are translated in national legislation, in conformity with the original intention of the law, and~~ *calls on* parliaments to play an active role in facilitating ~~overseeing~~ the implementation of ~~States'~~ **those obligations, taking into account the national capacity of each State**;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

5. *Urges* parliaments to ensure that States' obligations under international human rights law are translated into national legislation, **and interpreted and applied in good faith in conformity with the original intention of the law**, and *calls on* parliaments to play an active role in overseeing the implementation of States' obligations;

(Canada)

New paragraph 5bis

Add a new paragraph after paragraph 5 to read as follows:

- 5bis. Reaffirms international law as the standard of conduct for relations between States;**

(Venezuela)

Operative paragraph 6

Delete the paragraph.

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Expresses* support for the UN Human Rights Council and the ~~existing independent treaty-based mechanisms that monitor States' compliance with international human rights law~~, **calls for such mechanisms to be further strengthened the human rights treaty bodies**, and *calls on* parliaments to ~~participate actively in these monitoring mechanisms~~ **work closely with these institutions;**

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Expresses* support for the UN Human Rights Council and the existing independent treaty-based mechanisms that monitor States' compliance with ~~their international human rights law obligations~~; ~~calls for such mechanisms to be further strengthened, and calls on parliaments to participate actively in these monitoring mechanisms;~~

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Expresses* support for the UN Human Rights Council and the existing independent treaty-based mechanisms that monitor States' compliance with international human rights law, *calls for* such mechanisms to be further strengthened, and *calls on* parliaments to participate ~~actively~~ in these monitoring mechanisms;

(India)

Operative paragraph 7

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Encourages* parliaments to strengthen national systems for the protection of human rights, **including by supporting the development of independent and effective national human rights institutions, in accordance with the 1993 Principles relating to the Status of National Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (Paris Principles);**

(Romania)

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Encourages* parliaments to strengthen national systems for the protection of human rights, **ensuring equal and effective protection for all, without discrimination based on religious belief, gender, age, sexual orientation, language, ethnic origin or other status;**

(Spain)

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Encourages* parliaments to strengthen national systems for the **promotion and** protection of human rights;
(Cuba, Islamic Republic of Iran and Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 8

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Appeals* to States to refrain from the threat or use of force, and to resolve disputes by peaceful means, in conformity with **the purposes and principles of the UN Charter**; ~~the principles of justice and international law, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, human rights and fundamental freedoms;~~
(China)

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Appeals* to States to refrain from the threat or use of force **against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State**, and to resolve disputes by peaceful means, in **such a manner that international peace and security, justice, human rights and fundamental freedoms are respected** ~~conformity with the principles of justice and international law, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, human rights and fundamental freedoms;~~
(Canada)

Amend to read as follows and place after operative paragraph 1:

8. **Reaffirms the vital importance of the principle of the prohibition of threat or use of force in international relations and** *appeals* to States to refrain from the threat or use of force, and to resolve disputes by peaceful means **of their own choice**, in conformity with **the UN Charter and** the principles of justice and international law, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, human rights and fundamental freedoms;
(Islamic Republic of Iran)

New paragraphs 8bis and 8ter

Add two new paragraphs after paragraph 8 to read as follows:

- 8bis. Endorses the principles of State sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity;**
- 8ter. Stresses that States have the right to choose, without external interference, their political, economic and social systems, and to organize internally in the way they deem appropriate;**
(Venezuela)

Operative paragraph 9

Delete the paragraph.

(China, Cuba and Islamic Republic of Iran)

Delete and replace with:

9. **Reiterates that the United Nations Security Council bears primary responsibility for maintaining international peace and security under the UN Charter;** ~~insists that collective use of force to uphold and ensure respect for human rights must be decided by the United Nations acting under its Charter;~~
(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

9. *Insists* that collective use of force to uphold and ensure respect for human rights must be decided by the United Nations acting under its Charter **and encourages the United Nations to evolve customary international law to provide for exceptional measures to alleviate overwhelming humanitarian catastrophes where there is convincing evidence, generally accepted by the international community as a whole, of extreme humanitarian distress on a large scale requiring immediate and urgent relief and it is objectively clear that there is no practicable alternative to the use of force if lives are to be saved, and on condition that the proposed use of force is necessary and in proportion to the aim of relief of humanitarian need and is strictly limited in time and scope to this aim (i.e. the minimum necessary to achieve that end and for no other purpose);**

(United Kingdom)

Amend to read as follows:

9. *Insists* that ~~the collective~~ use of force to uphold and ensure respect for human rights must be decided by the United Nations **Security Council without prejudice to the right to self-defence, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations** ~~acting under its Charter;~~

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

10. *Strongly urges* States, **in the conduct of their foreign relations, to ensure that economic, financial and trade measures initiated by them are in compliance with international law and the purposes of the UN Charter** ~~to refrain from unilateral economic, financial and trade measures that run counter to international law and the UN Charter, and particularly from enacting national laws that have extra-territorial effects;~~

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

10. *Strongly urges* ~~States to refrain from~~ **condemns any unilateral restrictive** economic, financial and trade measures that run counter to international law and the UN Charter, and, **in this context, the enactment of any** ~~particularly from enacting~~ national laws that have extra-territorial effects;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

10. *Strongly urges* States to refrain from **adopting** unilateral economic, financial and trade measures **and national laws with extra-territorial effects**, which ~~that~~ run counter to international law and **in particular the UN Charter of the United Nations**, ~~and particularly from enacting national laws that have extra-territorial effects;~~

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

11. **Rejects any unilateral interpretations and application of international human rights law, that is not in conformity with international law**, including in national legislation, and **reiterates that human rights may not be interpreted as implying for any State, group or person the right to engage in any activity or perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights or freedoms recognized by international human rights law or at their limitation to a greater extent than is provided for in the relevant provisions of international human rights law** ~~calls for the development of safeguards to prevent the abuse of international human rights law for political purposes;~~

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

11. **Rejects unilateral interpretations of international human rights law, including in national legislation, and calls for the development of safeguards prevention of the use of international human rights law for political purposes;**

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

11. **Rejects unilateral interpretations of international human rights law, including in national legislation, and calls for the development of safeguards to prevent the misuse of international human rights law for political purposes;**

(France)

Operative paragraph 12

Delete the paragraph.

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

12. ~~Strongly supports the provision of humanitarian and economic aid by the international community~~ **Calls on the international community to provide lasting and apolitical emergency humanitarian and economic assistance** in cases of **natural or health** disasters, war or hostilities;

(Monaco)

Amend to read as follows:

12. **Strongly supports the provision of humanitarian and economic aid by the international community to States that have requested such aid** in cases of disasters, war or hostilities;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

12. **Strongly supports the provision of humanitarian and economic aid by the international community, in cases of disasters, war or hostilities, but nevertheless adds that, given the importance of the above-mentioned principles of sovereignty and the right to self-determination, the provision of economic aid must in no way undermine the principles of non-intervention and non-interference in the internal affairs of States;**

(Venezuela)

Amend to read as follows:

12. *Strongly supports* the provision of humanitarian and economic aid by the international community in cases of disasters, war or hostilities, **and calls on States to comply strictly with the corresponding provisions of international humanitarian law;**

(Ukraine)

Amend to read as follows:

12. *Strongly supports* the provision of humanitarian and economic aid by the international community in cases of disasters, **crisis or armed conflict** ~~war or hostilities;~~

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 13

Delete the paragraph.

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

13. *Calls on* States to strengthen the system of collective and individual security, including through reform of the UN Security Council ~~to ensure greater legitimacy of its decisions~~ and reform of the United Nations in general;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

13. ~~*Calls on* States to strengthen the system of collective and individual security, including through reform of~~ **Stresses the need for reform of** the UN Security Council, to ensure greater legitimacy for its decisions and **more democratic participation in its work**, and reform of the United Nations in general;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

13. *Calls on* States to strengthen the system of collective and individual security, including through reform of the UN Security Council, to ensure greater legitimacy of its decisions, and reform of the United Nations in general, **particularly the machinery for dealing with overwhelming humanitarian catastrophes;**

(United Kingdom)

New paragraph 13bis

Insert a new paragraph to read as follows:

- 13bis. ***Calls for* greater democratization of international society through reform of the UN Security Council;**

(Venezuela)

New paragraphs 13bis and 13ter

Add two new paragraphs after paragraph 13 to read as follows:

13bis. Invites States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the Rome Statute and the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court, and calls on States to strengthen their national legal systems and to cooperate fully with the Court, so as to ensure that international crimes are properly investigated and prosecuted;

13ter. Expresses its full support for a new post-2015 development agenda that ensures a rights-based approach encompassing all human rights, addresses issues of justice, equality and equity, good governance, democracy and the rule of law, and promotes peaceful societies and freedom from violence;

(Romania)

Operative paragraph 14

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Appeals* for greater cooperation between parliaments, the IPU and the United Nations in the protection of human rights and the development of the rule of law at the national and international level; and **strongly supports UN General Assembly Resolution 68/272 on Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union, which recommends that a new IPU-UN cooperation agreement be drawn up, so as to reflect progress and developments over past years and place the institutional relationship between the two organizations on a strong footing** ~~calls for the existing cooperation agreement between the IPU and the United Nations to be developed into a strategic partnership;~~

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Appeals* for greater cooperation between parliaments, the IPU and the United Nations in the **promotion and** protection of human rights and the development of the rule of law at the national and international level; and ~~calls for the existing cooperation agreement between the IPU and the United Nations to be developed into a strategic partnership;~~

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Appeals* for greater cooperation between parliaments, the IPU and the United Nations in the **promotion and** protection of human rights and the development of the rule of law at the national and international level; and ~~calls for the existing cooperation agreement between the IPU and the United Nations to be developed into a strategic partnership;~~

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 15

Delete the paragraph.

(Cuba and Islamic Republic of Iran)