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**PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF ALL HUMAN RIGHTS, CIVIL,  
POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS,  
INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT**

**Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council\***

**12/5. Protection of the human rights of civilians in armed conflict**

*The Human Rights Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 9/9 of 24 September 2008 on the protection of the human rights of civilians in armed conflict,

*Taking note with appreciation* of the report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the outcome of the expert consultation on the protection of the human rights of civilians in armed conflict (A/HRC/11/31),

1. *Invites* the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to convene, within the parameters set forth in paragraph 8 of Council resolution 9/9, a second expert consultation on the issue of protecting the human rights of civilians in armed conflict, with a view to enabling the completion of the consultations on this issue, and requests the Office of the High Commissioner to prepare a report on the outcome of the consultation, in the form of a summary of discussions, prior to its fourteenth session;

2. *Decides* to continue the consideration of this question at its fourteenth session in conformity with the provisions of resolution 9/9.

*30th meeting  
1 October 2009*

[Adopted without a vote.]

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\* The resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council will be contained in the report of the Council on its twelfth session (A/HRC/12/50), chap. I.