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Technical assistance and capacity-building

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18/17

Technical assistance and capacity-building for South Sudan in the field of human rights

The Human Rights Council,

Welcoming the Republic of South Sudan as a new State and Member of the United Nations,

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights and relevant human rights treaties,

Reaffirming the commitment of all States to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms as enshrined in, inter alia, the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the obligation of all States to comply with international human rights treaties to which they are party,

Welcoming the commitment of the Government of South Sudan to promote and respect human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Reaffirming that States have primary responsibility for the promotion and protection of human rights,

Recalling the reports of the Special Rapporteur and the independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan, and the findings and recommendations contained therein;

1. *Welcomes* the establishment of the Republic of South Sudan on 9 July 2011 upon its proclamation as an independent State;

* The resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council will be contained in the report of the Council on its eighteenth session (A/HRC/18/2), chap. I.

2. *Also welcomes* the commitments made by the Government of South Sudan to strengthen national mechanisms of promotion and protection of human rights, and calls on the Government to implement those commitments;

3. *Calls upon* the Government of South Sudan to strengthen ongoing cooperation with the United Nations Mission in South Sudan on issues pertaining to the promotion and protection of human rights, and calls upon all parties to make every effort to prevent violence;

4. *Encourages* the international community to provide the Government of South Sudan with technical and financial assistance and to support its efforts to promote and protect human rights;

5. *Invites* the Office of the United High Commissioner for Human Rights, in collaboration with the Government of South Sudan, to identify and assess areas of assistance and, upon its request, to assist the Government in its efforts to promote and protect human rights;

6. *Calls upon* States Members of the United Nations, in the framework of international cooperation, relevant United Nations agencies and international financial institutions, to provide the Government of South Sudan, upon its request, with appropriate technical assistance and capacity-building to promote respect for human rights;

7. *Requests* the Office of the High Commissioner to present a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the Human Rights Council at its twenty-first session.

36th meeting
29 September 2011
[Adopted without a vote.]