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HIGH COMMISSIONER AND THE SECRETARY-GENERAL**

**Report of the Secretary-General on the rights of persons belonging  
to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities**

**Note by the Secretariat**

The Human Rights Council, in its decision 2/102, requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to “continue with the fulfilment of their activities, in accordance with all previous decisions adopted by the Commission on Human Rights and to update the relevant reports and studies”. Accordingly, the report of the Secretary-General on the rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities (A/HRC/4/109) was submitted to the fourth session of the Human Rights Council. The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights will submit an updated report on the rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities to the ninth session of the Human Rights Council in September 2008.

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