

Human Rights Council

Resolution 6/24. World Programme for Human Rights Education

The Human Rights Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 59/113 A of 10 December 2004, 59/113 B of 14 July 2005 and 60/251 of 15 March 2006, as well as Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/61 of 20 April 2005 and Sub-Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights resolution 2006/19 of 24 August 2006, concerning the World Programme for Human Rights Education and the Plan of Action for its first phase (2005-2007);

Reaffirming the need for continued actions at the international level to support national efforts to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration, in particular universal access to basic education for all, by 2015;

- 1. *Takes note* of the progress report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the first phase (2005-2007) of the World Programme for Human Rights Education, (A/HRC/4/85);
- 2. Takes note also of the work done so far by the United Nations Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee on Human Rights Education in the School System, and of the future activities, in particular in the areas of technical assistance and information-sharing, identified by the Committee as requiring support by the United Nations system in the implementation of the Plan of Action at the national level;
- 3. Decides to extend for two more years (2008-2009) the first phase of the World Programme for Human Rights Education in order to allow all relevant actors to accomplish the implementation of the Plan of Action, focusing on the primary and secondary school systems;

- 4. *Encourages* all States to develop initiatives within the World Programme for Human Rights Education and, in particular, to implement, within their capabilities, the Plan of Action for the first phase of the World Programme as adopted by the General Assembly;
- 5. Requests all the members of the United Nations Inter-Agency
 Coordinating Committee on Human Rights Education in the School System and, in
 particular, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and
 United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to promote the
 national implementation of the Plan of Action, provide technical assistance when
 requested and, coordinate related international efforts;
- 6. Calls upon all existing national human rights institutions to assist in the implementation of human rights education programmes consistent with the Plan of Action;
- 7. Appeals to relevant organs, bodies or agencies of the United Nations system, as well as all other international and regional intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, within their respective mandates, to promote and technically assist, when requested, the national implementation of the Plan of Action;
- 8. Requests the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to disseminate widely the Plan of Action among States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations by any means, including electronic means and formats of communication which are accessible to persons with disabilities;
- 9. Also requests the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights to report to the Council at its last 2008 session on progress made towards the implementation of the present resolution;
- 10. *Decides* to consider this issue at its last 2008 session under the same agenda item.

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