5 September, 2014

Excellency,

I refer to the High-Level Plenary meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, to be known as the “World Conference on Indigenous Peoples”, to be held on 22 September 2014, and the afternoon of 23 September 2014.

I wish to convey my gratitude to Member States for their constructive engagement during the negotiations on the draft Outcome Document held on 4th and 5th September. Following from this consultation, I have the honour to circulate the attached compilation text reflecting the proposals of Member States to the draft Outcome Document, as well as the latest iteration of the draft Outcome Document, Rev. 3, which incorporates the various proposals for its enhancement.

As announced at the end of the consultation, the negotiations will reconvene on Tuesday, 9 September. This Informal Consultation will be co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Andrej Logar, Permanent Representative of Slovenia, and H.E. Ms. Marjon Kamara, Permanent Representative of Liberia. The venue for this Informal Consultation will subsequently be communicated in the Journal of the United Nations.

I look forward to the active participation of your Excellency’s delegation in this next round of negotiations on the Outcome Document.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

John W. Ashe

To All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York
Draft outcome document to be adopted by the General Assembly on 22 September 2014

69. Outcome document of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly: The World Conference on indigenous peoples

The General Assembly

Adopts the following outcome document:

Outcome document of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly: The World Conference on indigenous peoples

1. We, the Heads of State and Government, Ministers and representatives of Member States, reaffirming our solemn commitment to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, in a spirit of cooperation with the indigenous peoples of the world are assembled at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 22 and 23 September 2014, on the occasion of the World Conference on indigenous peoples, to reiterate the important and continuing role of the United Nations in promoting and protecting the rights of Indigenous peoples.

2. We welcome the indigenous peoples' preparatory processes for the World Conference including the Global Indigenous Preparatory Conference for the World Conference on indigenous peoples held in Alta, Norway, in June 2013. We take note of the outcome document of the Alta Conference¹ and other contributions made by indigenous peoples. We also welcome the inclusive preparatory process for this High-level Plenary meeting, including the comprehensive engagement of the representatives of Indigenous peoples.

3. We reaffirm our support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples and its commitments to consult and cooperate in good faith with indigenous peoples concerned through their own representative institutions in order to obtain their free, prior and informed consent, prior to the approval of any project affecting their lands, territories and resources or before adopting and implementing legislative or administrative measures that may affect them.

4. We reaffirm our solemn commitment to respect, promote and advance and in no way diminish the rights of indigenous peoples, and to promote the principles of

¹ Alta Outcome Document A/67/994.
the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples adopted by the
General Assembly on 13 September 2007.

5. In addition to the Declaration, we recall the other major achievements of the
past two decades in building an international framework for the advancement of the
rights and aspirations of the world's indigenous peoples, including the establishment
of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the creation of an Expert Mechanism
on the Rights of indigenous peoples, and the appointment of a Special Rapporteur
on the Rights of indigenous peoples. [We commit to follow up on [consider in good
faith] recommendations and advice issued by these bodies in cooperation with
indigenous peoples.]

6. We encourage those states that have not yet ratified or acceded to the
International Labour Organization Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989
(no. 169), to consider doing so; we recall the obligation under the Convention, of
ratifying States to develop coordinated and systematic action to protect the rights of
indigenous peoples.

7. We commit to take relevant legislative, policy and administrative measures to
achieve the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous
peoples and to promote awareness of it among all sectors of society, especially
Members of Parliament, the judiciary and the civil service.

8. We commit to cooperate with indigenous peoples, through their own
representative institutions, to prepare and implement national action plans and
strategies and other measures where relevant, devoted to the implementation of the
United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples.

9. We commit to promote and protect the rights of indigenous persons with
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including by developing targeted measures for national action plans and strategies in
collaboration with indigenous persons with disabilities. We will ensure that national
legislative, policy and institutional structures related to indigenous peoples are
inclusive of indigenous persons with disabilities, and contribute to the advancement
of their rights.

10. We commit to work with indigenous peoples to disaggregate data as
appropriate, or conduct surveys and to utilise culturally sensitive indicators of
indigenous peoples' well-being to address the situation and needs of indigenous
peoples and individuals, particularly elders, women, youth, children and persons
with disabilities.

11. We commit to ensure equal access to, and empower indigenous peoples to
deliver as far as possible, high-quality and culturally adequate education, health,
housing, water, sanitation and other economic and social programmes to improve
their well-being, through the provision of adequate resources.

12. We commit to ensure that indigenous peoples and individuals enjoy the highest
attainable standard of physical and mental health. We shall improve access to sexual
and reproductive health and rights and reduce rates of HIV and AIDS, malaria,
tuberculosis and non-communicable diseases, by increasing resources and focusing

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on prevention. We also respect indigenous peoples' traditional health practices and medicines.

13. We support the empowerment and capacity-building of Indigenous youth, including their full and effective participation in decision making processes in matters that affect them. We commit to develop, in consultation with indigenous peoples, policies, programmes and resources targeted at the well-being of indigenous youth particularly in the areas of health, education, employment and the transmission of traditional knowledge, languages and practices, and to take measures to promote awareness and understanding of their rights.

14. We acknowledge that indigenous peoples' justice institutions can play a positive role in providing access to justice, dispute resolution and contribute to harmonious relationships within indigenous peoples' communities and within society, consistent with international human rights norms, standards and principles as well as national legislation. We commit to coordinate and conduct dialogue with indigenous peoples' justice institutions where such institutions exist.

15. We commit to support the empowerment of indigenous women and to formulate and implement, in collaboration with indigenous peoples, particularly indigenous women and their organizations, policies and programmes designed to promote capacity-building and strengthen their leadership. We support measures which will facilitate the full and effective participation of indigenous women in decision making processes at all levels and in all areas, and eliminate barriers for their participation in political, economic, social and cultural life.

16. We commit to intensify our efforts, in cooperation with indigenous peoples, to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence and discrimination against indigenous peoples and individuals, in particular, women, children, youth, older persons and persons with disabilities, by strengthening legal, policy and institutional frameworks.

17. We commit to establish at the national level, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned, fair, independent, impartial, open and transparent processes to acknowledge, advance and adjudicate the rights of indigenous peoples pertaining to lands, territories and resources. Such processes will be culturally appropriate and flexible, and competent to safeguard free, prior and informed consent by indigenous peoples prior to development or use of lands, territories and resources.

18. We commit to consult and cooperate with indigenous peoples to address the impact or potential impact of major development projects, including extractive industries and to ensure that indigenous peoples participate in the benefits from such projects. The rights of indigenous peoples regarding development of lands, territories and resources, will be incorporated into law, policies and practice.

19. We commit to develop, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned, and where appropriate, policies, programmes and resources to support indigenous peoples’ occupations, traditional subsistence activities, economies, livelihoods, food security and nutrition.

20. We affirm and recognize the importance of indigenous peoples’ religious and cultural sites as set out in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples and call upon all States to provide access to and repatriation of their ceremonial objects and human remains. We commit to develop, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned fair, transparent and effective mechanisms for access to and repatriation of ceremonial objects and human remains at national and international levels.
21. [We urge Member States to address the impact of militarization of indigenous peoples' lands and territories, unless military activity is justified by a relevant public interest.] Where military activities exist in the lands or territories of indigenous peoples, we urge Member States to immediately commence effective consultations with the indigenous peoples concerned. All parties [to armed conflict] should seek to protect civilian populations, including indigenous peoples, from the effects of conflict.

22. We invite the United Nations Human Rights Council in consultation with indigenous peoples, to recommend to the 71st session of the General Assembly on options to use, modify and improve existing United Nations mechanisms to more effectively promote respect for and implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples. In this process, the Council may review the role of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of indigenous peoples to better assist Member States to monitor, evaluate and improve implementation of the Declaration.

23. We invite Human Rights Treaty bodies to consider the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples in accordance with their existing mandates. We encourage Member States to include, as appropriate information on the situation on the rights of indigenous peoples, including the measures taken to pursue the objectives of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples in reports to Human Rights Treaty bodies, and in the Universal Periodic Review.

24. We welcome the increasingly important role of national human rights institutions\(^4\), as well as regional human rights institutions in contributing to the achievement of the goals of the Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples. We encourage the private sector, civil society, and academia to take an active role in promoting and protecting the rights of indigenous peoples.

25. We request the Secretary-General, in consultation and cooperation with indigenous peoples and Member States, to develop a System-wide Action Plan within existing resources, to ensure a coherent approach to the full realization of the provisions of United Nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples.

26. We invite the Secretary General, in light of the need for increased awareness of the rights of indigenous peoples, to give consideration to the appointment of a United Nations official at the highest possible level.

27. We invite the Human Rights Council to consider examining the causes and consequences of violence against indigenous women and girls, in consultation with the Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women, the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of indigenous peoples and other Special Procedures within their respective mandates. We also invite the Economic and Social Council to recommend to the Commission on the Status of Women “the empowerment of indigenous women” as a theme at a future session.

28. Building on the report of the Secretary-General on ways and means of promoting participation at the United Nations of indigenous peoples' representatives on the issues affecting them\(^5\), we request the Secretary-General, taking into account

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\(^4\) A/RES/68/171.

\(^5\) A/HRC/21/24.
views expressed by indigenous peoples, to present concrete proposals to the 70th Session of the General Assembly in this regard.

[29. We invite the Economic and Social Council to organize a high-level panel discussion in conjunction with indigenous peoples, during its Coordination and Management meetings to review the policies and procedures on indigenous peoples within ECOSOC subsidiary bodies.]

30. We commit to respect the contributions of indigenous peoples to ecosystem management and sustainable development. This includes knowledge generated through experience in hunting, gathering, fishing, pastoralism and agriculture, as well as their sciences, technologies and cultures.

[31. We confirm that indigenous peoples' knowledge and strategies to sustain their environment will be respected and utilized when we develop national and international policies, standards and measures on climate change mitigation and adaptation.]

32. We commit to give due consideration to the rights of indigenous peoples, including the right to development in the process of elaborating the post-2015 development agenda and to mainstream the promotion and protection of their cultures and rights into the development agenda at the national, regional and international levels.

33. We invite Member States and actively encourage the private sector, and other institutions to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Fund for indigenous peoples, the United Nations Trust Fund on Indigenous Issues, IFAD indigenous peoples Assistance Facility, and the United Nations indigenous peoples Partnership as a means of promoting the rights of indigenous peoples worldwide.

[34. We request the Secretary-General to include a specific focus on indigenous peoples in the final report on the achievement of the millennium development goals.]

35. We request the Secretary-General, in coordination with relevant United Nations system entities, to report on progress to the 71st session of the General Assembly and make recommendations, as appropriate, for further concrete steps to implement this outcome document.

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6 Article 3 of UNDRIP
7 As called for in A/RES/65/1
Annex I

Additional proposed paragraphs

4bis. We recognize that the situation of indigenous peoples varies from region to region and from country to country and that the significance of national and regional particularities and various historical and cultural backgrounds should be taken into consideration. [Vietnam (Indonesia, Suriname)]

5bis. We recall that articles 3 to 6 and 46 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples clarify the bases for a respectful and cooperative relationship between states and indigenous peoples. [Brazil (Vietnam, Peru, Indonesia)]

12 bis. We commit to promoting the right of every indigenous child, in community with members of his or her group, to enjoy his or her own culture, profess and practice his or her own religion or use his or her own language. We commit to take all actions necessary to facilitate indigenous children being raised by their families within their indigenous communities and maintaining cultural ties, languages and identities. [United States (Norway)]

17 bis. We commit to recognize, observe and enforce our nation to nation treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements concluded with indigenous peoples in accordance with their true spirit and intent, in good faith, and to give due consideration to the understanding of the indigenous peoples in regards to treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements. [United States]

17bis We commit, in accordance with domestic law and with the effective participation of the indigenous peoples concerned, to respect, preserve and maintain indigenous peoples' knowledge, innovations and practices that are relevant for the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity to promote their wider application with the approval and involvement of the holders of such knowledge, innovations, practices and to encourage a more equitable distribution of benefits resulting from such knowledge, innovations and practices.[Brazil]

18bis "We commit to protect indigenous peoples from the abuses and violations of their human rights by Transactional corporations". [Ecuador]

18ter "Call upon the member states to promote policies to end the abuses of some transnational corporations that disproportionately affect the rights of indigenous peoples". [Ecuador]

19bis. We reaffirm our commitments to support indigenous peoples in the important role it can play in the economic, social, and environmental development, regarding traditional sustainable agricultural practices, such as traditional seed supply systems, access to credit and other financial services, markets, secure land tenure, health care, social services, education, and training, knowledge and appropriate and affordable technologies, including for irrigation, and water harvesting and storage. [Bolivia]

25bis. We proclaim the Third International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples, commencing on 1 January 2015, and decide that the goal of the Third Decade shall be international cooperation for the effective implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. [Bolivia]

25ter. We invite the Secretary-General to consider assigning responsibility for coordination of the Third International Decade to the proposed High Representative for Indigenous Peoples. [Bolivia]
25bis. We request the UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes, as well as the Resident Coordinators, to support the implementation of the National Action Plans and strategies devoted to achieve the goals of the UNDRIP, in accordance to the System-Side Action Plan above-mentioned and the National Development Plans of each State through a better coordination and cooperation. [El Salvador]

29 bis. We request that the ECOSOC reform and strengthen the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in order to make it more effective. In this sense, it is requested that its name be modified to “Permanent Forum for Indigenous Peoples”. In accordance with the principle of representation, the numbers of members should be increased to 20 members, with two places reserved for the representatives of indigenous peoples in the 3 most populous sociocultural regions and one place reserved for the representatives of the other regions. [Brazil]

33bis We commit to implement this outcome document with full respect to national jurisdiction as well as national ownership while reaffirming that the situation of indigenous peoples varies from region to region and from country to country and taking into account the significance of national and regional particularities and various historical and cultural backgrounds. [Tanzania]

We encourage governments to recognize in their legislation a significant contribution of indigenous peoples to the international community in protecting Mother Earth, in the context of the promotion of sustainable development, in order to achieve a just balance among the economic, social and environmental needs of present and future generations, it is necessary to promote harmony with nature; [Bolivia]
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| Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples” |
| Mexico: Keep as is. |
| **Peru, Suriname, Guyana, Belize:** Delete: “In adopting this outcome document” |
| **Norway:** “In adopting this outcome document, we commit to consult and cooperate in good faith with indigenous peoples concerned through their own representative institutions in order to obtain their free, prior and informed….“ |
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Russian Federation: “We invite Governments to consider taking legislative...”  
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What are “culturally appropriate indicators”? |
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**Bolivia (Norway, Ecuador, El Salvador, Venezuela, Peru, Panama):** add “water and sanitation” after housing.  
**Australia:** Revert to Rev. 1 of document. See Article 2 of ICESCR re. progressive realization of rights. “…aimed at improving their well-being.”  
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**Suriname:** Insert “when possible to have” before education.  
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**Norway, New Zealand:** Revert to Rev 1. Include “equal access...through the provision of adequate resources.” |
| Iran: “adequate resources that create enabling environments...” |
| El Salvador: revert to Rev1 with inclusion of “water and sanitation” |

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| United States: “We commit to ensure that indigenous individuals have equal access to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard...” |
| Delete “will” and replace with “intend to” in following sentences. |

| New Zealand: OK with “individuals” |
| “…and intensify efforts to reduce rates of...” |

| Australia: “We aim to improve...HIV & AIDS” Add “tuberculosis” and refer to “…by ensuring the provision of appropriate resources...” |

| Japan: Does this refer to international commitments? Insert “by mobilizing domestic resources,” or “…through available resources” and focusing on prevention |

| Russian Federation: Stay closer to agreed language. Last sentence is problematic. What is spiritual health? |

| EU, Norway, New Zealand: add to second sentence “...and reproductive rights in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of their review conferences, ...” |

| Last sentence needs work – address issue based on UNDRIP 24.1 as separate para. |
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17. We commit to establish at the national level, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned, fair, independent, impartial, open and transparent mechanisms to acknowledge, advance and adjudicate the rights of indigenous peoples pertaining to lands, territories and resources. Such mechanisms will be culturally appropriate and flexible, and competent to safeguard free, prior and informed consent by indigenous peoples prior to development or use of lands, territories and resources.

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| **Russian Fed:** “We encourage Governments… in accordance with national
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| Legislation...”  
Delete second sentence.  
Norway: second sentence “in order to obtain their free, prior...”  
Canada: insert to beginning “where they do not already exist”  
Support US reference to process.  
Delete last sentence.  
Brazil: Add “resolve disputes over lands, territories and resources.”  
Delete “safeguard free, prior and informed consent by indigenous peoples prior to development or use of lands, territories and resources.” |

| 18. We commit to address the impact or potential impact of major development projects, including extractive industries, on indigenous peoples and to ensure transparency and benefit sharing. The rights of indigenous peoples regarding development of lands, territories and resources, will be incorporated into law, policies and practice. |

| United States: “We intend to address the impact ...and to promote transparency and the opportunity to benefit from such projects. Any rights of indigenous peoples ... and resources should be clarified in law, policies and practice.”  
Russian Federation: OK with “We intend...”  
EU: “...commit to conducting studies, in consultation with IPs... on the implications of resource extraction for indigenous peoples in order to incorporate indigenous peoples’ rights under international law, including respect for the principle of free, prior and informed consent.”  
Can also include "major development projects"  
Bolivia: “... and benefit sharing, in accordance with the purposes of the United Nations Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples”  
Norway: “...transparency and that indigenous peoples, when possible participate in the benefits of such activities” – See ILO 169 Art. 15. |
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| 19. We commit to develop, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned, policies, programmes and resources to support indigenous peoples’ occupations, economies, livelihoods, seeds, and food security. | **Canada:** add “were appropriate” to second sentence (or both?). Replace “ensure” with “promote”

**United States:** Delete “seeds”

**EU:** "We commit to develop and where appropriate provide..." reinsert "traditional subsistence activities"

**Bolivia:** Add “and nutrition.” To end of para.

**Russian Fed:** “…in conjunction with IPs concerned and where appropriate…” |

| 20. We commit to give effect to indigenous peoples’ right to their religious and cultural sites, as well as call upon all states to provide access to and repatriation of their ceremonial objects and human remains. We shall establish fair, transparent and effective mechanisms for access and repatriation at national and international levels in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned. | **United States:** “We affirm and recognize the importance of indigenous peoples’ religious and cultural sites, and call upon all states to provide access to and repatriation of their ceremonial objects and human remains. We commit to develop, in conjunction with indigenous peoples concerned fair, transparent and effective mechanisms for access to and repatriation of ceremonial objects and human remains at national and international levels.”

**EU:** add "as set out in UNDRIP", after “sites”.

**Australia (Russian Fed):** Delete “as well as call upon all states” replace with “and”

**Russian Federation:** In second sentence at the end of para. Add “…in line with relevant provisions of national legislation”

**Venezuela:** “…repatriation of their ceremonial objects and human remains that constitute elements of their cultural identity.” |

| 21. We urge Member States to initiate processes to demilitarize | **United States:** “We urge Member States to consider the impact of” |
indigenous peoples' lands and territories, unless military activity is justified by a relevant public interest. Where military activities exist, we urge Member States to immediately commence effective consultations with the indigenous peoples concerned.

militarization of indigenous peoples’ lands and territories. All parties to armed conflict should seek to protect civilian populations, including civilian indigenous individuals from the effects of conflict.”

El Salvador: Add to end of para “…and in addition, special measures should be adopted to ensure the protection of indigenous peoples, as well as their cultural property in accordance to International Law.”

EU: Bring in line with UNDRIP - Insert after "relevant public interest "or otherwise freely agreed with or requested by the indigenous peoples concerned"

Norway: keep in line with UNDRIP30. Delete first sentence. “we urge Member States to consult with the indigenous peoples concerned …”

Australia: Keep in line with Article 30. Add “freely agreed with or requested by the IPs concerned”

Russian Fed, Colombia: Stick to UNDRIP30.

Brazil: “Reaffirm that military activities shall only take place in the lands or territories of indigenous peoples when justified by a relevant public interest or otherwise freely agreed with or requested by indigenous peoples concerned. In such cases, military forces shall adopt measures to protect the life and property of individuals and communities, to respect their practices and customs and traditions, and to overcome any situation of conflict or tension that may occur.”

22. We invite the United Nations Human Rights Council in consultation with indigenous peoples, to recommend to the 71st session of the General Assembly on options to use existing United States: “use, modify and improve existing United Nations mechanisms to more effectively promote respect for and implementation of the United Nations Declaration …”
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**Canada:** Second sentence “…to more effectively promote the UNDRIP”

**Norway:** Support current draft with USA insertions.

**Mexico:** Support para. as is. |

23. We invite Human Rights Treaty bodies to consider the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in accordance with their existing mandates. We commit to include information regarding the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on Indigenous Peoples in our reports to Human Rights Treaty bodies, and in Universal Periodic Review procedures.

| **United States:** Second sentence - Insert “where appropriate” after “commit”.

**Vietnam:** “We encourage Member States to include as appropriate information...”

**Australia:** “we will consider the inclusion of…”

**Russian Federation:** “we consider to include where relevant information…”

**EU:** Reference to TBs mandates – we note that the previous wording without the phrase would be sufficient, not supportive to add new, but can consider. “We commit, where relevant, to include information on the situation on the rights of the indigenous peoples, including the measures taken to pursue the objectives of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, in our reports to the Human Rights Treaty Monitoring Bodies and the Universal Periodic Review.”

**New Zealand** – supportive of EU proposal.

**South Africa:** Proposed language was read out too fast for dictation. Waiting for written comments. |

24. We welcome the increasingly important role of national human rights institutions, as well as regional human rights institutions in

| **United States:** Delete “will” replace with “plan to” |

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27. We invite the Human Rights Council to consider examining the causes and consequences of violence against indigenous women and girls, in consultation with the Special Rapporteur on Violence Against

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Mexico: Support para. as is.

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<td>34. We request the Secretary General to include a specific focus on indigenous peoples in the final report 6 on the achievement of the millennium development goals.</td>
<td>Suriname: …include information on the realization of the MDGs for indigenous peoples... [Awaiting written submission from Suriname]</td>
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<td>35. We request the Secretary-General, in coordination with relevant United Nations system entities, to report on progress to the 71st session of the General Assembly and make recommendations, as appropriate, for further concrete steps to implement this outcome document.</td>
<td>United States: add “Including information requested in para 25 and 26”</td>
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<td>36. We request the Secretary-General to revert on the financial implications, if any, at the sixty-ninth session of the United Nations General Assembly.</td>
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### Additional Paragraphs:

**Vietnam (Indonesia, Suriname): 4bis.** We recognize that the situation of indigenous peoples varies from region to region and from country to country and that the significance of national and regional particularities and various historical and cultural backgrounds should be taken into

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6 As called for in A/RES/65/1
consideration.

**Australia** reserves position on 4bis.

**Brazil (Vietnam, Peru, Indonesia)**: 5bis. We recall that articles 3 to 6 and 46 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples clarify the bases for a respectful and cooperative relationship between states and indigenous peoples.

**United States**: 12 bis. We commit to promoting the right of every indigenous child, in community with members of his or her group, to enjoy his or her own culture, profess and practice his or her own religion or use his or her own language. We commit to take all actions necessary to facilitate indigenous children being raised by their families within their indigenous communities and maintaining cultural ties, languages and identities. *(Norway supports – make sure it's action oriented)*

**United States**: 17 bis. We commit to recognize, observe and enforce our nation to nation treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements concluded with indigenous peoples in accordance with their true spirit and intent, in good faith, and to give due consideration to the understanding of the indigenous peoples in regards to treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements.

**Brazil**: 17bis We commit, in accordance with domestic law and with the effective participation of the indigenous peoples concerned, to respect, preserve and maintain indigenous peoples’ knowledge, innovations and practices that are relevant for the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity to promote their wider application with the approval and involvement of the holders of such knowledge, innovations, practices and to encourage a more equitable distribution of benefits resulting from such knowledge, innovations and practices.

**Ecuador** 18bis "We commit to protect indigenous peoples from the abuses and violations of their human rights by Transactional corporations".

**Ecuador** 18ter "Call upon the member states to promote policies to end the abuses of some transnational corporations that disproportionately affect the rights of indigenous peoples".

**Bolivia**: 19bis. We reaffirm our commitments to support indigenous peoples in the important role it can play in the economic, social, and environmental development, regarding traditional sustainable agricultural practices, such as traditional seed supply systems, access to credit and other financial services, markets, secure land tenure, health care, social services, education, and training, knowledge and appropriate and affordable technologies, including for irrigation, and water harvesting and storage. [BOL]
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Bolivia: 25bis. We proclaim the Third International Decade of the World’s Indigenous Peoples, commencing on 1 January 2015, and decide that the goal of the Third Decade shall be international cooperation for the effective implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Bolivia: 25ter. We invite the Secretary-General to consider assigning responsibility for coordination of the Third International Decade to the proposed High Representative for Indigenous Peoples.

El Salvador: 25bis. We request the UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes, as well as the Resident Coordinators, to support the implementation of the National Action Plans and strategies devoted to achieve the goals of the UNDRIP, in accordance to the System-Side Action Plan above-mentioned and the National Development Plans of each State through a better coordination and cooperation.

Brazil: 29 bis. We request that the ECOSOC reform and strengthen the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in order to make it more effective. In this sense, it is requested that its name be modified to “Permanent Forum for Indigenous Peoples”. In accordance with the principle of representation, the numbers of members should be increased to 20 members, with two places reserved for the representatives of indigenous peoples in the 3 most populous sociocultural regions and one place reserved for the representatives of the other regions.

Tanzania: 33bis We commit to implement this outcome document with full respect to national jurisdiction as well as national ownership while reaffirming that the situation of indigenous peoples varies from region to region and from country to country and taking into account the significance of national and regional particularities and various historical and cultural backgrounds.

Bolivia: We encourage governments to recognize in their legislation a significant contribution of indigenous peoples to the international community in protecting Mother Earth, in the context of the promotion of sustainable development, in order to achieve a just balance among the economic, social and environmental needs of present and future generations, it is necessary to promote harmony with nature;