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Subject: Resolution 47/24 – Human Rights and Climate Change

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to invite your contribution to the research and report that the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) is preparing in accordance with Human Rights Council resolution 47/24 entitled "Human Rights and Climate Change". In the above-mentioned resolution (para. 14), the Council has requested the Secretary-General to consult Member States and other relevant stakeholders in order to prepare and submit to its fiftieth session a report on the adverse impact of climate change on the full and effective enjoyment of human rights of people in vulnerable situations. Consequently, the Office would be grateful to receive inputs for this report by e-mail to registry@ohchr.org with copy to tarnesen@ohchr.org no later than 30 November 2021.

In formulating your inputs, OHCHR invites you to respond, as appropriate, to the attached questionnaire. For environmental considerations, electronic submissions not exceeding five pages are encouraged. Please submit your input in MS Word or compatible format in either of the official working languages of the United Nations (French or English). The inputs received will be posted on our website.

I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your attention in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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To:

All United Nations departments, bodies, funds and programs, specialized agencies, International financial and multilateral trading institutions; National Human Rights Institutions; Civil Society Organizations and other relevant stakeholders

Questionnaire in relation to Human Rights Council resolution 47/24 on human rights and climate change

- 1. Please describe the <u>impacts</u> of the adverse effects of climate change on the full and effective enjoyment of the human rights of people in vulnerable situations. Where possible, please share specific examples and stories.
- 2. Please describe any specific <u>policy</u>, <u>legislation</u>, <u>practice or strategy</u> that your Government has undertaken, in compliance with applicable international human rights law, to promote an approach to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as loss and damage that ensures the full and effective enjoyment of the human rights of people in vulnerable situations. Please also note and identify any relevant mechanisms for ensuring <u>accountability</u> for these commitments including their means of implementation.
- 3. Please share a summary of any <u>relevant data</u> that captures how the adverse effects of climate change have affected people in vulnerable situations, taking into account multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination (i.e. discrimination based on a combination of multiple grounds, including disability, gender, race, colour, sex, language, religion, nationality and migration status).
- 4. Please describe any <u>mechanisms and tools</u> that are in place to measure and monitor the impacts of climate change on the full and effective enjoyment of the human rights of people in vulnerable situations.
- 5. Please identify and share examples of good practices and challenges in the promotion, protection, and fulfilment of the human rights of people in vulnerable situations in the context of the adverse effects of climate change.
- 6. Please include examples and good practices that highlight <u>international and multilateral cooperation and approaches</u> that are implemented through close consultation with and active involvement of people in vulnerable situations.
- 7. Please provide <u>any additional information</u> you believe would be useful to support climate action that promotes the full and effective enjoyment of the human rights of people in vulnerable situations.