African Group

Item 4 (a) Sharing of experience and examples of best and good practices related to the implementation of the ICERD, the DDPA and the Outcome Document of the Durban Review Conference (A/HRC/13/60, para. 94)

1. The Working Group while commending steps efforts, undertaken by Governments, regional organizations, civil society and other stakeholders to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, which include, inter alia, institutional, legislative and policy measures, awareness raising campaigns, trainings and scholarships, reiterates its call for continued and sustained efforts in this regard. In this regard, the Working Group invites stakeholders, in particular Governments, to continue implementing action oriented measures that bring changes to people's lives.

Item 4 (b) Review of progress on implementation of recommendations adopted at the 8th session

- 2. The Working Group welcomes progress made with regard to the implementation of the recommendations, adopted by this Working Group, and invites Governments, regional and international organizations, NHRIs and other stakeholders to continue providing information in this regard to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. The Working Group invites stakeholders, in particular Governments, to submit updated information, in a timely manner, focusing on the implementation of the respective recommendations.
- 3. The Working Group welcomes notes with appreciation the convening of regional and national workshops on development and implementation of national action plans against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, in collaboration with other partners, and encourages the Office to continue organizing such workshops.
- 3bis The Working Group also reiterates its call on States to draft, revise as necessary and fully and effectively implement national action plans against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, in particular as a follow-up to the DDPA, the outcome of the Durban Review Conference and the 10th anniversary of the DDPA convened-regional workshops and invites OHCHR to continue assisting States in this regard.

Additional paragraphs

 The Working Group commends the successful outcome of the 10th Anniversary of the DDPA held in New York and welcomes that the event achieved its aim of mobilising political will for the implementation of the DDPA.

- 2. The Working Group reiterates the request to the UN secretariat for the worldwide distribution of copies of the DDPA, Durban Review Conference Outcome document and the political declaration adopted at the 10 year commemoration, and calls for these documents to be translated into all UN languages. The Working Group further requests the DPI to compile and disseminate a single combined publication of the political declaration of the tenth year anniversary of the DDPA and the outcome document of the Durban Review Conference.
- 3. The Working Group calls on the UN secretariat to reflect prominently on its website the links to the WCAR, DRC and 10th year anniversary, as well as their outcome documents, taking into account GA resolutions, including GA 65/240, which specifically mentioned that the outcomes of the WCAR, DRC and 10th year anniversary are on equal footing with the outcomes of all major UN conferences, summits and special session in the human rights and social fields.
- 4. The Working Group stresses the need for a renewed and consistent global effort to inform the public on the importance of the DDPA and the contribution it has made in the struggle against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and in this regard calls for the development of a concrete multi-year programme of action towards this end to be adopted by the HRC.
- 5. The Working Group recognises the importance of NGOs and civil society organisations and call on Member States to support their participation in events and processes aimed at combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.

Item 4 (c): Discussion on good/best practices

- 4. The Working Group commends the practically-oriented actions of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and her Office, ensuring the implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and the Outcome Document of the Review Conference, including the recommendations of this Working Group.
- 5. The Working Group welcomes takes note of the information note on documenting good/best practices, prepared by the Anti-Discrimination Section. The Working Group encourages Member States

to identify further criteria to evaluate effectiveness of their own practices for combating and preventing racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.

- 6. The Working Group reiterates its support to the efforts of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to place on its website information on local, national, regional and international practices for combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and to ensure it is linked to the section on the outcome of the Durban Review Conference and the 10th anniversary of the DDPA, in a manner which is establish a database that is widely-accessible, user-friendly and regularly updated.
- 7. With regard to the creation of the database, the Working Group encourages Governments, regional and international organizations, and other stakeholders to submit, upon regular request, to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights information on legislative and policy measures undertaken to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, in addition to actions to deal with incidents arising in this context. The Working Group notes that such sharing of practical information may facilitate co-operation, enhance progress and inspire replication.

Item 4 (c)

1. The Working Group recognises initiatives taken at a regional level by some regional organisations towards the effective implementation of the DDPA, and encourages regional organisations to share these practices in the formal structured dialogues with Member States and other regional organisations and provide further information in this regard to the future sessions of the IGWG as part of the discussion on practises, initiative, efforts and programmes for combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.

Item 5

- Need to reiterate the relevant paragraphs of the DDPA and the DRC.
- Also reference other relevant resolutions.

Item 5: Thematic discussion on the role of sport in combating racism,

