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The role of parliament in preventing outside interference in the internal affairs of sovereign states

***Amendments to the draft resolution submitted within the statutory deadline
by the delegations of Bahrain, Belgium, Canada, China, Cuba, Democratic
Republic of the Congo, Finland, Germany, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Lebanon,
Spain, Switzerland, Thailand, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates and Viet Nam***

OVERALL RESOLUTION

Reject the entire resolution

(Germany) 1

PREAMBULE

Preambular paragraph 1

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 1 with the following:

(1) **Reaffirming that the principle of refraining from the threat or
use of force and the principle of non-intervention in the internal
affairs of sovereign States are part of the fundamental pillars of
international law and international relations,**

(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) ~~Reaffirming that the principle of non-interference in the internal
affairs of sovereign States and the principle of refraining from the threat or
use of force~~ **in international relations and the principle of non-
intervention** are fundamental pillars of international law and international
relations,

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) **Reaffirming that the principle of non-interference in the internal
affairs of sovereign States and the principle of refraining from the threat or
use of force are fundamental pillars of international law society and the
rules of international relations,**

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) **Reaffirming that the principle of non-interference in the internal
affairs of sovereign States and the principle of refraining from the threat or
use of force are fundamental pillars-principles of international law and
international relations,**

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) *Reaffirming* that **the sovereignty of States**, the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States and the principle of refraining from the threat or use of force are fundamental pillars of international law and international relations, 6
(United Arab Emirates)

Amend to read as follows and delete preambular paragraph 3:

(1) *Reaffirming* that the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States and the principle of refraining from the threat or use of force, **as well as the principle of respect for and promotion of human rights, as enshrined in the United Nations Charter and other UN instruments**, are fundamental pillars of international law and international relations, 7
(Belgium)

New preambular paragraph 1bis

(1bis) reaffirming the relevant provisions and principles of the United Nations Charter and economic obligations of States that the United Nations General Assembly sets out in its resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, in particular, Article 32, which states that no State may use or encourage the use of economic, political or any other type of measures to coerce another State in order to obtain from it the subordination of the exercise of its sovereign rights, 8
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

New preambular paragraph 1ter

(1ter) reaffirming the provisions of resolution 70/151 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 17 December 2015, and its earlier resolutions on human rights, pursuant to which implementation of unilateral coercive measures is contrary to international law and to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, and is among the obstacles to implementation of the Declaration on the Right to Development, 9
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

New preambular paragraph 1bis

(1bis) Believing that the principle of sovereignty denotes not only a State's right not to have its affairs interfered with, but also a corresponding duty on the State to ensure the well-being and safety of its citizens, 10
(Kenya)

Preambular paragraph 2

Delete the paragraph 11
(Germany)

Preambular paragraph 3

Delete the paragraph 12
(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) ~~*Reaffirming* that the UN instruments which stipulate the inadmissibility of external intervention must be respected, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention in the Domestic Affairs of States and the protection of their Independence and Sovereignty (1965), the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966), the Friendly Relations Declaration (1970), the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention and Interference in the Internal Affairs of States (1984), the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (2004), and the 2005 World Summit Outcome should be respected;~~ and that taken together, those instruments are of paramount importance to prevent external interventions in the internal affairs of sovereign States, 13
(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) ~~Rea~~**Affirming** that the UN instruments which stipulate the inadmissibility of external intervention must be respected, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention in the Domestic Affairs of States and the protection of their Independence and Sovereignty (1965), the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966), the Friendly Relations Declaration (1970), the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention and Interference in the Internal Affairs of States (1981), the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (~~2004~~**1993**); **and** the 2005 World Summit Outcome; ~~and that taken together, those instruments are of paramount importance to prevent external interventions in the internal affairs of sovereign States,~~

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(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) **Reaffirming** that the UN instruments which stipulate the inadmissibility of external intervention must be respected, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention in the Domestic Affairs of States and the protection of their Independence and Sovereignty (1965), the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966), the Friendly Relations Declaration (1970), **General Assembly resolution 3314 (XXIX) (1974), the Declaration on the Deepening and Consolidation of International Detente (1977)**, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention and Interference in the Internal Affairs of States (1981), the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (~~2004~~**1993**) and the 2005 World Summit Outcome; and that taken together, those instruments are of paramount importance to prevent external interventions in the internal affairs of sovereign States,

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(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) **Reaffirming** that the UN instruments which stipulate the inadmissibility of external intervention must be respected, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention in the Domestic Affairs of States and the protection of their Independence and Sovereignty (1965), the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966), the Friendly Relations Declaration (1970), **the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974**, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention and Interference in the Internal Affairs of States (1981), the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (2004), the 2005 World Summit Outcome; and that taken together, those instruments are of paramount importance to prevent external interventions in the internal affairs of sovereign States,

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(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Amend to read as follows:

(3) **Reaffirming** that the UN instruments which stipulate the inadmissibility of external intervention must be respected, in particular the Charter of the United Nations, the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention in the Domestic Affairs of States and the protection of their Independence and Sovereignty (1965), the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966), **the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966)**, the Friendly Relations Declaration (1970), the Declaration on the Inadmissibility of Intervention and Interference in the Internal Affairs of States (1981), the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (~~2004~~**1993**) and the 2005 World Summit Outcome; and that taken together, those instruments are of paramount importance to prevent external interventions in the internal affairs of sovereign States,

17
(China)

New preambular paragraph 3bis

(3bis) emphasizing that the implementation of unilateral coercive measures and laws against sovereign States outside the scope of Security Council resolutions is contrary to international humanitarian law, the United Nations Charter and the norms and principles governing peaceful relations among States,

18
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

New preambular paragraph 3ter

(3ter) *deeply concerned* about the fact that, despite the recommendations on the question as adopted by the General Assembly, Human Rights Council and Human Rights Commission of the United Nations, and with disregard for international law and the provisions of the United Nations Charter, unilateral coercive measures continue to be adopted and implemented, with all the negative consequences for social and humanitarian action, and for the social and economic progress of developing countries, thereby creating impediments to the full exercise of all the fundamental rights of peoples falling within the jurisdiction of other States,

(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

New preambular paragraph 3bis

(3bis) *Acknowledging* that, due to increasing globalization and a growing demand that uniform norms be adopted, the focus has been on ensuring human security rather than promoting the international principle of State sovereignty,

(Kenya)

Preambular paragraph 4

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote human rights and support dialogue ~~and negotiation to peacefully settle internal disputes and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments,~~

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote human rights, and support dialogue, ~~and negotiation to~~ **encourage the peacefully settlement of internal disputes and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments, **in accordance with States' obligations under international humanitarian law and human rights law, including the responsibility to protect as agreed in the 2005 World Summit Outcome,****

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote human rights and support dialogue and negotiation to peacefully settle internal disputes, **take all necessary actions to consolidate national unity and peaceful negotiation among different sectors of society, and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments,**

(United Arab Emirates)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote human rights, **work towards guaranteeing the strategic independence of States, and support dialogue and negotiation to peacefully settle internal disputes and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments,**

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote **and encourage respect for human rights and support dialogue and negotiation to peacefully settle internal disputes and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments,**

(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) *Stressing* the responsibility of parliaments to strengthen democracy, promote **and protect human rights, and support dialogue and negotiation to peacefully settle internal disputes and prevent the forcible overthrow of democratically elected governments,**

(Switzerland)

Preambular paragraph 5

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, based on the specific features of their country~~ **every State has an inalienable right to choose its political, economic, social and cultural systems, without any form of interference by another State,** 27

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive~~ **inalienable** right to determine their own political future, ~~based on the specific features of their country,~~ 28

(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive right to~~ **self-determination and to** determine their own political future ~~based on the specific features of their country~~ **in accordance with international law;** 29

(Ukraine)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, based on the specific features of their country~~ **and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development,** 30

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring~~ **Reiterating** that the people have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, based on the ~~specific features of~~ **privileges they enjoy in their countries,** 31

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people~~ **of each State** have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, based on the specific features of ~~their~~ **the country, in compliance with international obligations, in particular as regards respect for human rights,** 32

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive right to determine their own~~ political, **economic, cultural and social** future **of their nations** based on the specific features of their country, 33

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the peoples~~ have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, **and to freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development,** based on the specific features of their country, 34

(Viet Nam)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people have the exclusive right to determine their own political future~~ **both without external compulsion and** based on the specific features of their country, 35

(Kenya)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) ~~Underscoring that the people~~ **of each country** have the exclusive right to determine their own political future, based on the specific features of their country, 36

(Germany)

New preambular paragraph 5bis

(5bis) ***Underlining***, on the other hand, that the great challenges which mankind is facing today, such as climate change, terrorism, war and refugees, can no longer be met by one State alone, and that therefore an ever-closer cooperation of parliaments will be necessary, 37

(Germany)

New preambular paragraph 5ter

(5ter) ***Expressing*** its concern about the role of parliaments and their basis in society, in view of numerous arrests of journalists, increasing limitations on civil society's scope for action, and certain tendencies to disempower parliaments by proclaiming over-extended states of emergency or by the unlawful arrest of deputies, 38

(Germany)

New preambular paragraph 5quater

(5quater) ***Stressing*** that parliaments owe their duties to all individuals within a State, and that all human beings without exception bear universal and indivisible human rights, 39

(Germany)

Preambular paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

(6) ~~Aware that the decisions of the UN Security Council have universal legitimacy and, that any derogations from those decisions may run contrary to international law and~~ **if not politicized, can contribute to** the stable conduct of international relations, 40

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(6) ~~Aware that the decisions of the UN Security Council have universal legitimacy, and that any derogations from those decisions may run contrary to international law and the stable conduct~~ **rules of international relations, in particular when addressing issues relating to aggression and interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States,** 41

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(6) ~~Aware that the decisions of the UN Security Council have universal legitimacy~~ **in accordance with the provisions of the United Nations Charter** and that any derogations from those decisions, **which may be binding in nature,** may run contrary to international law and the stable conduct of international relations, 42

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(6) ~~Aware that the decisions of the UN Security Council have universal legitimacy and that any derogations from those decisions, may~~ **including external interference of any type,** run contrary to international law and the stable conduct of international relations, 43

(United Arab Emirates)

Amend to read as follows:

(6) ~~Aware that the decisions~~ **and resolutions** of the UN Security Council have universal legitimacy and that any derogations from those decisions may run contrary to international law and the stable conduct of international relations, 44

(Viet Nam)

Preambular paragraph 7

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Highlighting* both the constructive and preventive nature of parliamentary diplomacy, including its capacity to diffuse tensions, **provide a platform for alternative dispute resolution** and resolve conflicts by peaceful means, 45
(Kenya)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) *Highlighting* both the constructive and preventive nature of parliamentary diplomacy, including its capacity to diffuse **or avert** tensions and resolve conflicts by peaceful means, 46
(Bahrain)

Preambular paragraph 8

Delete the paragraph

(Finland and Germany) 47

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 8 with the following:

(8) **Committed to the consolidation, preservation and full exercise of democracy, based on respect for essential democratic values and on full public liberties as a basis for progress towards social justice and development,** 48
(Cuba)

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 8 with the following:

(8) **Noting that, while democracy and development are inextricably linked, a threat to the safety and security of a people may affect the setting of priorities in regard to democracy,** 49
(Kenya)

Amend to read as follows:

(8) ~~Mindful that people do not usually take into account the positive role of democracy if their livelihood is in danger; but also n~~**Noting that democracy and development are inextricably linked, and underscoring the need to maintain support for democracy in times of economic hardship,** 50
(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(8) ~~Mindful that people do not usually take into account the positive role of democracy if their livelihood is in danger; but also n~~**Convicted that democracy, good governance and development are inextricably linked,** 51
(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(8) ~~Mindful that people do not usually take into account the positive role of democracy if their livelihood is in danger; but also n~~**Noting that democracy and development are inextricably linked,** 52
(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(8) ~~Mindful that people do not usually take into account the positive role of democracy if their livelihood is in danger; but also noting that democracy and development are inextricably linked, and that every State has the right to determine the nature and form of such links according to the circumstances prevailing at the time,~~ 53
(United Arab Emirates)

Amend to read as follows:

(8) ~~Mindful that people do not usually take into account the positive role of democracy if their livelihood is in danger; but also noting that democracy, development and human rights are inextricably linked,~~ 54
(Bahrain)

Preambular paragraph 9

Amend to read as follows:

(9) ~~Reaffirming~~ **Reaffirming** the vital role of women in the prevention and settlement of conflicts, **and** the importance of ~~their~~ **women's full and equal participation and full involvement** in all efforts to preserve and promote peace and security, and the need to reinforce ~~women's role~~ **the role of women** in the decision-making processes associated with conflict prevention and settlement, 55

(Bahrain)

Preambular paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

(10) ~~Reaffirming~~ **Reaffirming** the important role of the **full and equal participation and full involvement** of young people in the prevention and settlement of conflicts, and particularly in ensuring the sustainability, inclusiveness and success of peacebuilding ~~keeping~~ **and of conserving both for coming generations,** 56

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

(10) ~~Rea~~**Rea****Affirming** the important role of the equal participation and full involvement of young people in the prevention and settlement of conflicts, and particularly in ensuring the sustainability, inclusiveness and success of peacebuilding and peacekeeping efforts, 57

(Switzerland)

New preambular paragraph 10bis

(10bis) Also stressing the role of civil society in the promotion of peace and security, and in the prevention and settlement of conflicts, 58

(Belgium)

New preambular paragraph 10bis

(10bis) Emphasizing the importance of the equal participation and full involvement of national, ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities within the democratic framework of the State as part of an inclusive society that provides a forum for the peaceful resolution of differences, 59

(Canada)

New preambular paragraph 10bis

(10bis) Acknowledging that democracy calls for the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the processes and institutions that determine the socioeconomic direction that nations take, 60

(Kenya)

New preambular paragraph 10ter

(10ter) Conscious that minorities and marginalized groups are critical to the establishment of lasting solutions to internal conflicts, 61

(Kenya)

Preambular paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

(11) ~~Believing~~ **Believing** that all States and parliaments are taking stock of the main lessons to be drawn from the dramatic events ~~in the Middle East, North Africa and elsewhere~~ **in different places around the world,** and that ~~those institutions~~ **there is a broad consensus** that ~~they~~ **it is** important to pursue democratic constitutional reforms and adopt new electoral laws which ensure government **legitimacy and accountability, and as well as** equal opportunities for all; and **stressing** the need for parliaments and the IPU to continue their support for these democratization processes, 62

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Believing* that all States and parliaments are taking stock of the main lessons to be drawn from the dramatic events in the Middle East, North Africa and elsewhere in the world, and that those institutions acknowledge that it is important to pursue democratic constitutional reforms and adopt new electoral laws which ensure government accountability and equal opportunities for all; and *stressing* the need for parliaments and the IPU to continue their support for these democratization processes, 63
(Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Believing* that all States and parliaments are taking stock of the main lessons to be drawn from the dramatic events in the Middle East, North Africa and elsewhere in the world, and that those institutions acknowledge that it is important to pursue democratic constitutional reforms and, **if appropriate**, adopt new electoral laws which ensure government accountability and equal opportunities for all; and *stressing* the need for parliaments and the IPU to continue their support for these democratization processes, 64
(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Believing* that all States and parliaments are taking stock of the main lessons to be drawn from the dramatic events in the Middle East, North Africa, **Eastern Europe** and elsewhere in the world, and that those institutions acknowledge that it is important to pursue democratic constitutional reforms and adopt new electoral laws which ensure government accountability and equal opportunities for all; and *stressing* the need for parliaments and the IPU to continue their support for these democratization processes, 65
(Ukraine)

OPERATIVE PART

New operative paragraph 1

Add a new paragraph at the start of the operative part to read as follows:

1. ***Reiterates* the need to respect absolutely and adhere fully to the Purposes and Principles of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, and in particular to respect the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-interference in the internal affairs of States;** 66
(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 1

Amend to read as follows:

1. ~~*Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and observing the territorial integrity of other States, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States~~ ***mindful that every State has the duty to refrain in its international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any other State, the duty not to intervene in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of any other State and the duty to cooperate in the promotion of universal respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all;*** 67
(Finland)

Move existing operative paragraph 1 to after paragraph 2 and amend to read as follows:

1. ~~*Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and observing the territorial integrity of other States, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States~~ ***from unilateral and extraterritorial coercive measures, as well as combating terrorism in all its forms including its financing;*** 68
(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and observing the **sovereignty and territorial integrity** of other States, while also respecting **and protecting the human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States of everyone within their territory;** 69

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and observing the territorial integrity of other States, while also respecting human rights, **and State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States;** 70

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law which include ~~refraining to refrain~~ from the threat or use of force and ~~observing the territorial integrity~~ **ensure the regional safety** of other States, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty, **amicable relations among States,** and non-interference in ~~the their~~ internal affairs of States; 71

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and ~~observing~~ **against** the territorial integrity of other States ~~while also respecting~~ **to promote and protect** human rights **and to respect,** State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States; 72

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force and ~~observing~~ **respecting** the territorial integrity of other States, ~~while~~ **and** also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States; 73

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, **to condemn terrorism in all its forms, as manifested in the invasion and occupation of territories, ethnic cleansing and displacement, the destruction of humanity's archaeological heritage, the establishment of child armies, the abuse of women and suicide operations; these obligations** include refraining from the threat or use of force and observing the territorial integrity of other States, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States; 74

(Lebanon)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force, observing the territorial integrity of other States, **not encouraging unrest and trouble in States' domestic affairs, not causing any internal conflict or disturbance, and avoiding any attempt to influence a State's national security, political, economic, cultural or social affairs,** while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States, 75

(United Arab Emirates)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force, **unilateral coercive measures** and observing the territorial integrity of other States, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States; 76
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Amend to read as follows:

- 1. *Strongly urges* all States to fulfil their obligations under international law, which include refraining from the threat or use of force, observing the territorial integrity of other States, **and peacefully settling disputes under international law including the UN Charter**, while also respecting human rights, State sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States; 77
(Vietnam)

New operative paragraph 1bis

- 1bis. urges States to refrain from adopting or implementing any unilateral coercive political, economic, financial or commercial measures that are contrary to international law, international humanitarian law, the United Nations Charter and the principles governing peaceful relations among States to coerce another State in order to obtain from it the subordination of the exercise of its sovereign rights or to secure from it advantages of any kind, or any measures that could impede full attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals, especially in developing countries;** 78
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

New operative paragraph 1bis

- 1bis. Underlines the important role of parliaments in preserving the principles and norms of the UN Charter and the fundamental principles of international law, in particular non-interference in the internal affairs of other States and the avoidance of using threats or force against the territorial integrity or independence of States;** 79
(Ukraine)

Operative paragraph 2

Replace the existing text of operative paragraph 2 with the following:

- 2. **Urges parliaments to promote and respect all human rights without distinction as a fundamental basis for the democratic life of national parliaments, and to defend and promote human rights, the rule of law and democracy;** 80
(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

- 2. *Urges* parliaments to ~~defend and~~ promote **and protect** human rights, the rule of law and democracy; 81
(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

- 2. *Urges* parliaments to ~~defend~~ **protect** and promote human rights, the rule of law and democracy; 82
(Viet Nam)

Amend to read as follows and later merge with operative paragraph 7:

- 2. *Urges* parliaments **to use all constitutional means** to defend and promote human rights, the rule of law and democracy; 83
(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

- 2. *Urges* parliaments to defend and promote human rights, the rule of law and democracy; **and to this effect, also urges them to encourage the creation of national institutions charged with the protection and promotion of human rights in accordance with the Paris Principles, and to undertake a periodic assessment of the annual activities;** 84
(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Operative paragraph 3

Delete the paragraph. (Cuba) 85

Amend to read as follows:

3. Reaffirms that the only way to conduct inter-State relations is to constantly observe the universally recognized principles and rules of international law; **and urges all States to work towards denying terrorist organizations resources, whether human, military or financial;** (Lebanon) 86

Amend to read as follows:

3. ~~Rea~~**Affirms** that the only way to conduct inter-State relations is to constantly observe the universally recognized principles and rules of international law; (Switzerland) 87

Operative paragraph 4

Delete the paragraph (Switzerland) 88

Amend to read as follows:

4. ~~Also reaffirms~~ that the viability **and sustainability** of the democratic institutions ~~mandated to prevent outside interference~~ **that embody the sovereignty of the State are** of fundamental importance to respecting human rights, especially as regards the right of peoples to be actively involved in the conduct of public affairs, particularly through their freely elected representatives; (Belgium) 89

Amend to read as follows:

4. ~~Also reaffirms~~ that the viability of the democratic institutions ~~mandated to prevent outside interference~~ is of fundamental importance to respecting human rights, especially as regards the right of peoples to be actively involved in the conduct of public affairs, particularly through their freely elected representatives; (Finland and Germany) 90

Operative paragraph 5

Delete the paragraph (Finland and India) 91

Amend to read as follows:

5. ~~Reiterates~~ the fundamental value of the principle of non-interference **intervention** in the internal affairs of other States ~~as a means of guaranteeing respect for human rights and democracy; and strongly calls on States to respect and fully promote this principle,~~ **while at the same time acknowledging that concern for human rights and their implementation in other States does not constitute intervention;** (Germany) 92

Amend to read as follows:

5. ~~Reiterates~~ the fundamental value of the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of other States ~~as a means of guaranteeing respect for human rights and democracy;~~ and *strongly calls* on States to respect and fully promote this principle **while also recognizing that the protection of human rights concerns the international community as a whole and therefore is not merely an internal matter that is entirely for the sovereign choice of each State; as consequence, the principle of non-interference does not prohibit a State from being concerned about the human rights situation in other States;** (Belgium) 93

Amend to read as follows:

- 5. *Reiterates* the fundamental value of the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of other States **and the principle of non-use of unilateral coercive measures** as a means of guaranteeing respect for human rights and democracy; and *strongly calls* on States to respect and fully promote ~~this~~**these** principles; 94

(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Amend to read as follows:

- 5. *Reiterates* the fundamental value of the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of other States as a means of guaranteeing respect for human rights and democracy; and *strongly calls* on States to respect, ~~and~~ fully promote **and ensure the enforcement of this principle in real life so as to avoid conflicts and prevent threats to State sovereignty;** 95

(United Arab Emirates)

Operative paragraph 6

- Delete the paragraph 96

(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

- 6. *Underlines* the ~~essential~~ role of parliaments in preventing **external intervention** outside interference that ~~inevitably~~ **may** threatens States' sovereignty and independence; 97

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

- 6. *Underlines* the essential role of parliaments ~~in~~ **as a constitutional authority and a democratic institution designed to** preventing outside interference **intervention** that inevitably threatens States' sovereignty and independence; 98

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

- 6. *Underlines* the essential role of parliaments in preventing outside interference that ~~inevitably~~ threatens States' sovereignty and independence; 99

(Belgium)

Operative paragraph 7

- Delete the paragraph 100

(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

- 7. *Urges* parliaments to establish national legal bases and mechanisms to prevent ~~outside interference~~ **or counter external intervention** in the internal affairs of independent States; 101

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

- 7. *Urges* parliaments to establish national ~~legal bases~~ **rules** and mechanisms to prevent outside interference in the internal affairs of ~~independent~~ **sovereign** States; 102

(Bahrain)

Merge paragraphs 2 and 7 as follows:

- 7. *Urges* parliaments **to use all constitutional means** to defend and promote human rights, the rule of law and democracy, ~~7. Urges parliaments~~ **and** to establish national ~~legal bases~~ **rules** and mechanisms to prevent outside ~~interference~~ **intervention** in the internal affairs of ~~independent~~ **sovereign** States; 103

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Urges* parliaments to establish national legal bases and mechanisms to prevent outside interference in the internal affairs of independent States, **and to take appropriate measures to promote the involvement of women, young people and civil society in the prevention and settlement of conflicts, as well as in the building and maintenance of peace;** 104
(Belgium)

Operative paragraph 8

- Delete the paragraph (Belgium, Finland, Germany and Switzerland) 105

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Also urges* parliaments to encourage non-governmental organizations and civil society **and communications and media outlets** to participate in **strenuous** efforts to prevent outside interference in the internal affairs of ~~independent~~ **sovereign** States; 106
(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Also urges* parliaments to encourage non-governmental organizations and civil society to participate **in the determination of the political future, and the economic, social and cultural development of their country, including** in efforts to prevent outside interference in the internal affairs of independent States; 107
(Canada)

New operative paragraph 8bis

- 8bis. Calls on** parliaments to work on conflict prevention and implementing peacebuilding strategies as part of their parliamentary relations agenda; 108
(Spain)

New operative paragraph 8bis

- 8bis. Strongly urges** parliaments to ensure the development of free civil society as a basis for democracy and development, and to promote exchanges within civil society using all available means; 109
(Germany)

New operative paragraph 8ter

- 8ter. Also urges** parliaments to resist, with all available means, the politically motivated withdrawal of the immunity of elected members of parliament; 110
(Germany)

New operative paragraph 8quater

- 8quater. Further urges** parliaments to help ensure a clear separation of powers through an effective system of checks and balances; 111
(Germany)

Operative paragraph 9

Amend to read as follows:

9. ~~Resolutely condemns all attempts to overthrow democratically elected governments by military or other direct or indirect means of outside interference~~ **threats or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State;** 112
(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

9. *Resolutely condemns* all attempts to overthrow democratically elected governments by military or other direct or indirect means of ~~outside interference~~ **external intervention;** 113
(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

- 9. *Resolutely condemns* all attempts to overthrow democratically elected governments by ~~military or other direct or indirect~~ **any** means of outside interference; 114

(Thailand)

Amend to read as follows:

- 9. Resolutely condemns all attempts to overthrow **or oust** democratically elected governments by military or other direct or indirect means ~~of that are used to~~ **justify** outside interference, **whether direct or indirect**; 115

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

- 9. *Resolutely condemns* all attempts to overthrow democratically elected governments by military, **political, economic** or other direct or indirect means of outside interference; 116

(Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Operative paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

- 10. *Urges* parliaments to contribute to increasing the number of **working** women ~~involved at all~~ **and to guarantee the principle of equal opportunities in** decision-making ~~levels-forums~~ in national, regional and international institutions and mechanisms designed to prevent and settle conflicts; 117

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

- 10. *Urges* parliaments to contribute to increasing the number of women involved at all decision-making levels in **subnational**, national, regional and international institutions and mechanisms designed to prevent and settle conflicts, 118

(Kenya)

Operative paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

- 11. *Also urges* parliaments to consider ways to increase the number of young people in decision-making processes at all levels of national, regional and international institutions and mechanisms ~~designed to prevent outside interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States,~~ 119

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

- 11. Also urges parliaments to consider ways to increase the number of young people **involved** in decision-making processes at all levels of national, **and** regional ~~and international~~ institutions and mechanisms ~~designed to prevent outside~~ interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States **and to respect amicable relations between them**, 120

(Bahrain)

New operative paragraph 11bis

- 11bis. Urges parliaments to put in place mechanisms to ensure the representation in the institutions of government of persons with disabilities, minorities and other marginalized groups,** 121

(Kenya)

Operative paragraph 12

Amend to read as follows:

12. *Further urges* all States, regardless of their political, economic, social and cultural systems, to fulfil their duty and responsibility to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms **in accordance with the international law provisions governing relations among sovereign States;** 122

(Bahrain)

New operative paragraph 12bis

- 12bis. Urges States to prioritize guidelines for development cooperation that aim to promote democratic quality and stability indicators;** 123

(Spain)

Operative paragraph 13

Replace the existing text of operative paragraph 13 with the following:

13. **Welcomes the contributions of the IPU and parliaments to promoting lasting peace; and calls for tensions among peoples to be defused wherever they arise, not only through collective action across political, cultural and religious divides, but also through engaging in a constructive, effective and comprehensive dialogue with all other ethnic, religious and social groups as a means of settling disputes among all States;** 124

(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

13. *Calls on* parliaments to promote lasting peace through effective and inclusive dialogue with all ~~social, religious and ethnic groups,~~ **national, ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities and to ensure their equal participation in the democratic framework of the State;** 125

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

13. *Calls on* parliaments to promote lasting peace through effective and inclusive dialogue with all social, **racial**, religious and ethnic groups, 126

(Kenya)

Operative paragraph 14

Delete the paragraph

(Germany and Switzerland) 127

Replace the existing text of operative paragraph 14 with the following:

14. **Also calls on parliaments to be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States on the grounds of preventing human rights violations, and to be aware of the limits of applying the emerging norm of “responsibility to protect”;** 128

(Kenya)

Amend to read as follows:

14. ~~Also calls on parliaments be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States under the pretext that human rights are being violated and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect,”~~ **to support the State in the fulfilment of its responsibility to protect populations within its borders from incitement to commit and the commission of genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity and ethnic cleansing, and only to approve intervention in a foreign State that fails to provide this protection when such intervention is in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations;** 129

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Also calls on* parliaments to be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to **certain** cases of interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States ~~under the pretext that human rights are being violated and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect”~~, **which could discredit the fundamental concept of responsibility to protect, that is based on maintaining a balance between the responsibility of sovereign States and the responsibility of the international community under the United Nations Charter, including Chapter VII;** 130
(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Also calls on* parliaments to be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of ~~interference~~ **illegal intervention** in the internal affairs of sovereign States, **for instance** under the pretext that human rights are being violated; ~~and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect”~~, 131
(Finland)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Also calls on* parliaments to be ~~aware~~ **mindful** of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States under the pretext that human rights are being violated ~~and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect”~~, 132
(Thailand)

Amend to read as follows:

14. Also calls on parliaments to be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of **in which human rights issues have been exploited and distorted, and in which** interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States **has occurred** under the pretext that human rights are being violated and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect”; 133
(Bahrain)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Also calls on* parliaments to be aware of the concerns of the international community relating to cases of interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States under the pretext that human rights are being **gravely** violated and that there is a consequent “responsibility to protect”; 134
(Indonesia)

New operative paragraph 14bis

- 14bis. Emphasizes the need to carefully define and assess situations where the responsibility to protect doctrine may potentially be invoked; and underlines that military force used under that doctrine shall be deployed as a last resort after exhausting all available diplomatic channels;** 135
(Indonesia)

Operative paragraph 15

- Delete the paragraph. 136
(Bahrain)

Operative paragraph 16

- Delete the paragraph 137
(Belgium, Finland, Germany and Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

16. *Invites* parliaments to ~~support the establishment and effective functioning of~~ **consider the possibility of establishing** an IPU observatory which would work within the framework of international law (particularly the UN Charter) to ensure early warning and prevention of outside interference or intervention in the internal affairs of sovereign States; and asks the IPU Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs to consider this proposal. 138
(Viet Nam)

Amend to read as follows:

- 16. *Invites* parliaments to support the establishment and effective functioning of ~~an~~**the** IPU observatory which ~~would~~**shall** work within the framework of international law (particularly the UN Charter) to ensure early warning and prevention of outside interference or intervention in the internal affairs of sovereign States; *and asks* the IPU Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs to consider this proposal. 139
- (Bahrain)*

Amend to read as follows:

- 16. *Invites* parliaments to support the establishment and effective functioning of an IPU observatory which would work within the framework of international law (particularly the UN Charter) to ensure **the** early warning, **when requested by national parliaments**, and **the** prevention of outside interference or intervention in the internal affairs of sovereign States; and asks the IPU Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs to consider this proposal. 140
- (Cuba)*

Amend to read as follows:

- 16. *Invites* parliaments to support the establishment and effective functioning of an IPU observatory which would work within the framework of international law (particularly the UN Charter) to ensure early warning and prevention of outside interference or intervention in the internal affairs of sovereign States; **and urges all Members to provide assistance and specific support to all States in general, but particularly to States in which tension exists in given areas, and which receive hundreds of thousands of refugees and displaced people; these States should be helped to expand their infrastructure, especially water, electricity and transport networks, and to strengthen their educational, health and environmental institutions so as to enable them to absorb large numbers of refugees until political solutions are reached and implemented that will help refugees return to their countries;** and asks the IPU Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs to consider this proposal. 141
- (Lebanon)*

TITLE

Modify the title as follows:

- The role of parliament in ~~preventing outside interference~~ **respecting the principle of non-intervention** in the internal affairs of ~~sovereign~~ States 142
- (Switzerland)*

Modify the title as follows:

- The role of parliament in preventing **illegal intervention** ~~outside interference~~ in the internal affairs of sovereign States 143
- (Finland)*