Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
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Agenda item 6. Proposals to be submitted to the Human Rights Council for its consideration and approval.

Joint Statement

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Dear brothers and sisters, ladies and gentlemen!

Following discussion at our current session I may say that our work this year is rather productive one. Surely we may state several points:

Still at the ,any places and countries of the World the discrimination and oppression of Indigenous Peoples is continuing,

Nevertheless the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as well as studies, recommendations and Advices of EMRIP plays an important role at the process of recognition and protection of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples all over the World. Those Governments, who prefer to follow the policy of internal colonialism and depriving of the rights the Indigenous Peoples at their countries, remain without arguments justifying their behavior in front of the International Community.

The number of those Governments lays down year by year and it is obvious now that the situation of the Indigenous Peoples in different countries have become the regular point of agenda of a mankind as a part of the universal protection of Human Rights i.e. not a question of a domestic policy or internal issues of the States but a subject of concern of entire International Community including first of all UN and its agencies and subdivisions.

In that context I think it may be proposed to Human Rights Council:

- 1. To include as a regular point of UPR of every country:
 - the situation of Indigenous Peoples living at their territories, using the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a framework for the description and evaluation of this issue at their States;
 - the participation of Indigenous Peoples at the decision making procedures affecting them;

- the following of the Advices elaborated by EMRIP to the Governments on various topics;
- the including of the evaluation of the situation of Indigenous Peoples at different countries as one of the indicators of observation of Human Rights, which shall be taken into consideration as a part of universal international obligations of State Parties of UN.
- 2. To launch the work for the International Convention on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Thank you for your attention.