

## **Human Rights Council**

**Topic:** Freedom of Religion or Belief

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Tanzania, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Vietnam and Zimbabwe;

<u>Deeply conscious</u> that people are still being discriminated based on religion and belief and being intolerant,

Aware of conflict that is unnecessary and is not letting people exercise their rights to freedom of religion or belief,

<u>Taking into consideration</u> that the conflicts around the world are due to differences in religion and beliefs,

Expecting that all countries will want to reduce conflicts,

<u>Further recommends</u> the following solutions,

- Calls upon UN and international community to eliminate all forms of intolerance and discrimination based on religion and belief;
- 2. Promoting the choice of participating and/or practicing religion through education from a young age;

- 3. Enforcing accountability for both past and present actions through international monitors;
- 4. Fully believing that infrastructure in developing countries can make a positive change in the widespread knowledge of Freedom of Religion or Belief;
- 5. Emphasizing that social media is a powerful tool which can be used to spread word around the world about these issues;
- 6. Desiring religious and cultural events to boost religious awareness; and
- 7. Encourages that governments pass a law that protects religious freedom by suggesting that all minority religious groups to annually submit a form that protects them from discrimination.