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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations, WTO and Other International Organizations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee and, with reference to the latter's Note of 25 September 2013, has the honour to transmit the response of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia as attached.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations, WTO and Other International Organizations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Enhancement of International Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights

Questionnaire

1. In your opinion, what are the specific priority areas in which international cooperation in the field of human rights should be further enhanced?

Answer:

- a) Comprehensive human rights education.
- b) Rights to development.
- c) Routine and sustainable interaction between human rights institution in national and international level.
- d) Research and sharing of best practices to decision making process with human rights perspective as well as human rights approach for law apparatus capacity.
- e) Enhance society's and other stakeholders' participation and empowerment as a way to change public perception on human rights principles so the society will have capacities to cooperate with the Government and other stakeholders to effectively fulfilled and promoted human rights in their areas.

2. How can international cooperation in the field of human rights be further enhanced in specific areas such as human rights education, international migration, interaction among human rights institutions and the right to development?

Answer:

- a) By conducting regular monitoring system for human rights that are in accordance with international standards, in order to monitor every progress and regression.
- b) By creating an open and routine international dialogue, as well as development of databases of human rights issues, which enable every involved country to deliver their best practices on how to handle human rights issues. With such open dialogues, notably between developing and developed countries, each country may benefit from each other through the learning of related and relevant policies and regulations in their respective areas.

3. Could you give suggestions on how to improve the ways and means of international cooperation in the field of human rights such as technical assistance, South-South cooperation, mainstreaming human rights etc.?

Answer:

Through the creation of benchmarks and establishing cooperation on related human rights areas between countries, with also taking into account their similar economic condition, and through the exchange of human resource, technology and science with a common goal to describe best practices of each country. Each country can learn to gain valuable information and experience to handle certain human rights issues. Regional cooperation will promote enhanced promotion and protection of human rights, which in turn, will establish a more progressive implementation of human rights and the improvement of the mainstreaming of human rights in all areas.

4. How have your authorities benefitted from international cooperation in the context of the universal periodic review? How could international cooperation in the context of this human rights mechanism be further strengthened, particularly with regard to the implementation of the recommendations that enjoy the support of the State concerned?

Answer:

Indonesia still faces many challenges to optimally benefit from international cooperation in field of human rights in the context of Universal Periodic Review (UPR). One of the challenges that arise is

the lack of information dissemination on the available international cooperation to relevant institutions and authorities. Dissemination of information to the related stakeholders is crucial factor to fully optimizing and increasing active involvement of all related stakeholders towards the implementation of the UPR. Commitment from those stakeholders are important because recommendation from treaty bodies have to be studied and analyzed by related parties in Indonesia in order to set concrete steps to implemented them.

- 5. With respect to human rights treaties that your State is a party to, what difficulties have you faced in fulfilling your reporting obligations? How have you benefitted from international cooperation in that regard and also in implementing the concluding observations of the treaty bodies?**

Answer:

One of the difficulties that are faced by the Government is in the preparation of the initial/periodic reports of the international human rights conventions. The Government is at the opinion that there is excessive reporting obligation, which has to be coordinated with all relevant institutions and stakeholders. In this regard, the Government of Indonesia is in support to the idea of a unified reporting system which is being considered at the UN level.

- 6. Please identify best practices that have emerged from international cooperation in human rights.**

Answer:

Awareness raising campaign on human rights values, obligations, and instruments, discussion of current trend of international human rights issues, implementation of trainings for law enforcement apparatus, mainstreaming of human rights issue in various sectors, and engagement of data collecting of human rights related cases are several best practices that the Government of Indonesia has obtained through international cooperation in human rights.

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