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Subject: Request for inputs on neurotechnology and human rights.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, on behalf of the Advisory Committee, has the honour to refer to Human Rights Council resolution 51/3 entitled "Neurotechnology and human rights". The resolution is attached for ease of reference.

In this resolution, the Human Rights Council requests the Advisory Committee "to prepare a study in an accessible format, including an easy-to-read version, on the impact, opportunities and challenges of neurotechnology with regard to the promotion and protection of all human rights, including recommendations on how human rights opportunities, challenges and gaps arising from neurotechnology could be addressed by the Huma Rights Council and its special procedures and subsidiary bodies in a coherent, holistic, inclusive and action-oriented manner, and to present the study to the Council at its fifty-seventh session".

When preparing this study, the Advisory Committee was requested to seek the views and inputs from, and to take into account the relevant work already done by, stakeholders, including Member States, international and regional organizations, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the special procedures of the Human Rights Council, the treaty bodies, other relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes within their respective mandates, national human rights institutions, civil society, the private sector, medical and technical communities, academic institutions and other relevant stakeholders.

To facilitate the submission of inputs, the Advisory Committee is circulating the attached questionnaire on the topic. Any response to the questionnaire or inputs on the topic should be sent to the Secretariat of the Advisory Committee by 2 July 2023, either by email to OHCHRhreadvisorycommittee@un.org (indicating in the heading "Submission to the call for inputs on neurotechnology and human rights") or by regular mail to the following address:

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Submissions will be posted on the Advisory Committee's webpage, except for those including a clear request not to be publicly disclosed.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration.