**Subject: Request for inputs on patterns, policies, and processes leading to incidents of racial discrimination and on advancing racial justice and equality.**

 The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, on behalf of the Advisory Committee, has the honour to refer to resolution 48/18 of the Human Rights Council entitled **“From rhetoric to reality: a global call for concrete action against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance”.** The resolution is attached for ease of reference.

 In paragraph 14 of the resolution, the Human Rights Council requests the Advisory Committee “to prepare a study in which it examines patterns, policies and processes contributing to incidents of racial discrimination and makes proposals to advance racial justice and equality, which should be firmly anchored in the fulfilment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the attainment of its Goals, in consultation where possible with the Office of the High Commissioner and the international independent expert mechanism to advance racial justice and equality in the context of law enforcement established by the Human Rights Council in its resolution 47/21, and to present the study to the Human Rights Council at its fifty-fourth session.”

 For this purpose, the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee invites inputs from relevant stakeholders, including Member States, international and regional organisations, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the special procedures of the Council, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, other United Nations human rights treaty bodies, United Nations Regional Economic Commissions and other relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes within their respective mandates, national human rights institutions, civil society organisations, the private sector, research and technical community and academic institutions, in order to integrate the information in the study thereof.

 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 **10 October 2022,** either by email to OHCHR-hrcadvisorycommittee@un.org (indicating in the heading "Submission to the call for inputs on patterns, policies, and processes leading to incidents of racial discrimination and on advancing racial justice and equality”) 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.

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