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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to transmit herewith the information received from the relevant authorities of the Republic of Azerbaijan in response to a call for inputs for the two thematic reports by UN Special Rapporteur on the right to development to be presented to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly in 2023.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

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C. Thematic priorities for 2023-26

- 1. What issues should the Special Rapporteur focus on during the next three years of his mandate for the effective realization of the right to development at the local, national, regional and international levels?
- Shared responsibility for the realization of the right to development and for establishing a favorable economic environment based on the duty to cooperate at the international level;
- Revitalizing the implementation of the right to development as an inalienable human right;
- Identification of obstacles to operationalization and implementation of the right to development;
- Mobilizing international support for revitalizing and realization of the right to development.
 - 2. What are the main challenges faced in realizing the right to development? Are there any good practices and effective strategies in overcoming these challenges?
- Establishment of favorable international environment for development:
- Highly divisive international discourse and attempts to misinterpret the concept of the right to development, including for taking advantage of the structural inequalities emerged on global economic markets;
- The weakening role of multilateral institutions;
- · Adverse impacts of climate change;
- Erosion of the rule of law at the international level:
- Slow post-pandemic recovery;
- Failure to reform global economic governance;
- Persistent imbalances and inequalities existing in international order.
 - 3. What actions should be taken to ensure the integration of the right to development in other agendas such as the Sustainable Development Goals, business and human rights, protection of the environment, climate change, discrimination, migration, peace and security, development finance, trade and investment agreements, new technologies, civic space, and access to justice?
- The United Nations and its development-related agencies as well as international financial institutions should mainstream the right to development into their policies and operational activities and multilateral trading frameworks.
- Mainstreaming the right to development into the broader United Nations system, in particular at the level of its country offices.