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The Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to submit its' response to a call for inputs and comments on the draft plan of action for the Fifth Phase (2025 – 2029) of the World Programme for Human Rights Education.

The Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

World Programme for Human Rights Education

The UK would like to suggest the following minor changes to the draft plan of action.

PAGE 17 - (Para 31c(ii) second bullet):

Instead of *Challenge patriarchal and heteronormative ideologies and structures that limit girls and women from freely and fully exercising and enjoying their human rights and uphold diversity and inclusion*

Change to *Encourage children and young people to challenge the structures that limit girls and women from freely and fully exercising and enjoying their human rights and uphold diversity and inclusion*

E . Process for national implementation:

PAGE 23, Para 44

Encourage States ~~should~~ **to** assign a relevant Ministry to take the initiative, respond to or support the initiative of others to establish a coordinating body involving relevant government entities and civil society, and with children and youth representatives as essential participants, that should consult with the children and youth within the country

PAGE 24, Step 1

~~Undertake~~ *Consider undertaking* a national baseline study on human rights education for children and youth, possibly within the first year of the current phase

Para 51, Step 1

~~25 (a) Mandate~~ *Encourage* a competent institution to carry out a national assessment study, through broad consultations, to be shared with the public for validation and feedback and widely disseminated once completed

F. International cooperation 1. Reporting to the Human Rights Council:

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Promote States ~~will~~ **to** submit a midterm national progress report in 2027 to OHCHR, which will compile all received information in a report to the Human Rights Council. In early 2030, they will *consider* submit a final national evaluation report to OHCHR, which will prepare and submit a final report on the implementation of the fifth phase to the Council by the end of 2030. Progress review meetings, involving relevant stakeholders such as children and youth movements and organizations, should take place during relevant Council sessions