## HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL SECOND SESSION

Declaration of Ambassador Idriss Jazairy Permanent Representative of Algeria on behalf of the African Group

## Examination of the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in Belarus

Mr. Chairman,

The Human Rights Experts of the United Nations play an essential role in promoting and protecting human rights throughout the world. Like Mr. Adrien Severin, Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Belarus, these Experts are called upon to carry out specific tasks that are described in the corresponding resolutions of the United Nations. They must not act beyond the limits of their mandate but deliver them, safe from any governmental and non-governmental influence.

The African Group denounces the arbitrary judgements on the part of Mr. Severin, who is going beyond his mandate, when he asserts, in paragraph 72, page 10 of his report, that "Official data on arms exports from Belarus, which are listed in the United Nation's register of classical weapons, disclose a high number of arm, transfers to countries wherein the current human rights situation should indeed exclude such transfers." African countries are among the ones listed by Mr. Severin. We consider that it is neither within Mr. Severin's mandate nor within his purview to make such declarations.

This is why The African Group strongly urges Mr. Severin to remove the above-mentioned passage from his report, which, at any rate, reflects a selective and partial approach.

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We would further wish to underline the lack of consistency between the approach of different rapporteum on the same theme, that thus report examplifies.

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However in his report on Poisbouria, Mr. Soverin, the Spoul Repportant goos exactly in the appoints direction first by achally advocating a trade embargo against Porlarus in para 103 and reund by directing a recumendation sprintfield to other "Mundow Gates and in particular Dinveratic Plates" to impose such an embargo.

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In conclusion, we unge that spoinal Rayportours put emphasis on monoting a sport of Dialogue and cooperation with countries on which they report to while assist them in armoing the the countries the repursed human rights dejectives. They I should also seeds to identify book practice in the areas invertigated.

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