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**REVIEW OF MANDATES, MECHANISMS,
FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

INTERVENTION BY BRAZIL

Mr Chairman,

- ~~In addition to my previous interventions on the review of mandates, mechanisms, functions and responsibilities, I will address, some aspects of the special procedures, the 1503 complaint mechanism, and the Expert Advice Body that Brazil deems important to be considered, replacing the Sub-Commission,~~

- ~~As a~~ ^{My} starting point, ~~I would like to emphasize~~ ^{is that} that the future function of all those mechanisms must ~~be taken into consideration~~ ^{consider} in the Working Group on UPR. ~~On~~ ^{We have to} one hand, it would be avoided the risk of duplication between the UPR and those mechanisms. ~~On the other hand,~~ ^{At the same time,} the UPR could play ~~an important role in~~ ^{a crucial role in} reiterating and emphasizing the conclusions, recommendations and requests made by those mechanisms, as well as ~~raising the attention of the States to their follow-~~ ^{that of putting emphasis on} up. ~~Therefore, the Working Group on UPR and the Working Group on the Reviewing Process~~ ^{Should have} must go on ~~in tandem~~ ^{with high interaction} between them;

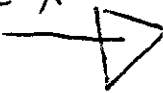
(B) 1503 Procedures:

- As it has been mentioned before by Brazil, but needs improvements.* The 1503 Procedure is important as the mechanism of complaints not subordinated to any convention. *Nevertheless, Important,* Brazil agrees with many delegations on the opinion that the work that has been done by ^{The} both Groups of Communications and Situations is ~~not~~ *should be more* effective and *more* speedy ~~enough~~ to respond to the urgent cases of violation of human rights;
- With this regard we would like to refer to the statement made by the Delegation of Argentina in the first session of the Working Group, in which there is a call to reflect on the possibility of transferring the task of the Groups of Communications and Situations to a more independent group of highly qualified experts, which could transmit the cases of systematic and grave violation of human rights to the Human Rights Council;
- We* ~~In order to allow a better discussion on this or other possibilities of reform, we~~ support the idea of convening a short ~~and limited~~ workshop, ~~composed by~~ *with* current and former members of the Groups of Communications and Situations and the Office of the High Commissioner, ^{*in the line*} ~~suggested~~ ^{*with fresh ideas*} by Argentina. This workshop could contribute to the reviewing process by sending its recommendation to the ~~Working Group~~;

On ~~(C) Sub-commission~~ and the Expert Advice Body *replacing the subcommission.*

- Once more, Brazil would like to refer to the historical importance of the Sub-commission as a fruitful think tank for the former Commission. We hope that the advisory body of the Council preserve and develop all the heritage and functions received from the former Sub-commission;

SEE ANNEX



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Since experts will be

involved in OP2, we are going to

close relationship between the new

Expert Group and the experts do medical

in the OP2 mechanism.

ANNEX

The Great Beyond

showed not clear

remains without paying tribute to

the involvement in the rest of the

system in its own right

"think tank" for the HR system

Since early, the new body ^{expand} ~~will be~~

~~will be~~ regarding the discussion

could be the ~~HRM~~ basic source of

expertise to ~~provide~~ ^{provide} ~~to~~

follow an effective universal process

Review Mechanism