

## **Conference facilities and financial support for the Human Rights Council**

The Human Rights Council,

*PP 1. Recalling* the General Assembly resolution 60/251 which decided, among others, that the Council shall meet regularly throughout the year and schedule no fewer than three sessions per year, including a main session, for a total duration of no less than ten weeks, and shall be able to hold special sessions, when needed, at the request of a member of the Council with the support of one third of the membership of the Council;

*PP 2. Reaffirming* the importance of the respect and the promotion of multilingualism within the United Nations and in particular the importance of appropriate interpretation and translation services;

*PP 3. Taking into account* its heavy schedule of work and the difficulties encountered in obtaining the necessary conference services particularly during its first institution-building year;

*PP 4. Taking also into account* the need to ensure the necessary financial resources in order to implement its decisions, including the holding of Special sessions and the decisions emanating there from;

*PP 5. Recognizing* the efforts already made for the webcast of its sessions;

*OP 1. Reaffirms* the need to ensure the necessary Secretariat support and financial resources for the Council in order to fully discharge its mandate as stipulated in the General Assembly resolution 60/251;

*OP 2. Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the 61<sup>st</sup> General Assembly at the earliest possible date on ways and means to guarantee the provision of:

- a) conference services, particularly for the holding of Special sessions, additional meetings during regular sessions and intersessional organizational meetings;
- b) webcast for all the sessions of the Human Rights Council;
- c) documentation in all official UN languages in a timely manner;
- d) adequate funding to provide timely financing for unforeseen extraordinary expenses arising in the implementation of the decisions of the Council, involving inter alia fact-finding missions and special commissions as well as the necessary support from the Secretariat for the implementation of such decisions.