Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council on 23 March 2021

46/18. Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights and other relevant international human rights instruments,


Welcoming the report and recommendations of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran submitted to the Human Rights Council,1 and expressing serious concern at the developments noted in that report and the lack of access permitted to the Special Rapporteur to travel to the Islamic Republic of Iran,

Recalling Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1, on the institution-building of the Council, and 5/2, on the Code of Conduct for Special Procedure Mandate Holders of the Human Rights Council, of 18 June 2007, and stressing that mandate holders are to discharge their duties in accordance with those resolutions and the annexes thereto,

1. Decides to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran for a further period of one year, and requests the Special Rapporteur to submit a report on the implementation of the mandate to the Human Rights Council at its forty-ninth session and to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

2. Calls upon the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to cooperate fully with the Special Rapporteur and to permit access to visit the country and to provide all information necessary to allow the fulfilment of the mandate;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with the resources necessary to fulfil the mandate.

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[Adopted by a recorded vote of 21 to 12, with 14 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:
Argentina, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, Eritrea, Fiji, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Malawi, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Ukraine and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Against:
Armenia, Bangladesh, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), China, Cuba, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Philippines, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Abstaining:
Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Côte d’Ivoire, Gabon, Libya, Mauritania, Namibia, Nepal, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, Togo and Uruguay]