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The United States of Mexico would like to thank Forum for 21st century for providing another opportunity to be a participant in this conference. We would like to express our full support towards solving the goals we have set and thus, with a common discussion find a solution and cooperation in the field of fundamental human rights and freedoms. The United States of Mexico is prepared to continue the debate on human rights. After a thorough analysis of the second draft proposed by the Forum for 21st century, we would like to include our suggestions. We hope that with the extensive cooperation and exchange of our proposals, we could create a mechanism in the field of human rights acceptable for all participants of Forum for the 21st century.

In the section *Notes*:

- The United States of Mexico emphasizes the establishment of community which would develop along with the economic progress also taking into account the human dimension. As written in preamble of the United Nations Declaration of Humans rights "The people in the Charter of the United Nations have reaffirmed their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women and have determined to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom." The United States of Mexico, with all of the members, who had signed the Universal declaration of Human rights believes, that we had in mind the common interest of making a progress in all standards of life, respecting the rules described in the Declaration and thus, avoiding the human rights violation.
- As we declared our intentions to set the general rules of behaviour, we totally agree with the complex harmonization of the human rights on the international level, as we signed the Declaration, where it is written: "Member States have pledged themselves to achieve, in co-operation with the United Nations, the promotion of universal respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms, a common understanding of these rights and freedoms is of the greatest importance for the full realization of this pledge", we propose to try to create the mechanism of common understanding of human rights. We think that with all of the participants together, we could define or specify the most fundamental and the most important human rights and try to create a common rules for













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their compliance. We accept the fact that every country is different because of their different culture or historical development and thus we adopted a different view of human rights, but the most fundamental right for all of us being that we should understand them similarly and follow them equally, as it is written in the UN Declaration of Human Rights. We think that there is a proper way to find a consensus, if everyone respects the specific group of the most important human rights and thus we can achieve our goals, at least for the most important and fundamental human rights.

- As for the new legislation, our government has set rules for respecting human rights with trying to follow the proper way and peaceful means to ensure the human rights in our country. But in some states, where we have the big problems with corruptions and drug issues, it is necessary to deploy army troops, in case of drug-related violence. Our government already took steps to implement preventive measures against the practice of torture, including its application at the federal level, e.g. the Istanbul Protocol, which contains guidance on investigating and documenting torture and other abuses. The law prohibits arbitrary arrest and detention along with sponsoring or covering up of an illegal detention. But as for the different levels of political, economic and cultural development of states, and also different problems within the countries, the implementation of the common legislative would be very difficult to observe.
- Effective judiciary could be achieved by eliminating the weaknesses in the system and implementing some reforms concerning human rights. We should try to eliminate the main problems in the judiciary systems, which are mainly inefficiency and lack of transparency.

In the section *Proposes*:

The United States of Mexico welcomes the open discussion on the issues concerning current state of human rights and freedom, in our second position. Firstly, for United States of Mexico, as a developing country, we would like to suggest, that it is necessary to focus on the fundamental needs of our citizens taking into consideration all the groups of people and identify the specific group of human rights and thus, we do not see any problem to create the international tribunal within the Security council of the UN. We see the immense importance to identify the infringement of human rights, but we think that













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fundamental rights should be respected in every country, without exception. The United States of Mexico recommends creating a common plan of compliance with most of the fundamental rights and supervising its implementation within the international tribunal. Every national state could approve their own national plan, and specify the rights and freedoms which are important to respect within the country, for example we as a country, where almost 15% of the population identifies itself as indigenous, we would also like to take into considerations the human rights and freedoms of every ethnic group living not only in Mexico, but also in other countries. Whilst some political entities have established a wide range of policies aiming at the promotion of indigenous peoples' rights, others have not developed an institutional framework. Therefore, we recommend to take into account the human rights for all the ethnic groups.

- "Indigenous women suffer two types of discrimination, as indigenous people and as a woman," UN Human Rights chief Navi Pillay said. "Just as there is still a long path in the wider, non-indigenous societies to achieve gender equality," she stressed, "indigenous people also need to give women a more prominent role." Therefore, not only for the indigenous women, but generally speaking, United States of Mexico recommends to take into consideration gender equality.
- Human rights empower individuals and communities by granting them entitlements that give rise to legal obligations to others. They can help to equalize the distribution and exercise of power both within and between societies. In short, human rights can mitigate the powerlessness of the poor. And because of this reason, we recommend to create a national plan of every individual state which would implement their own strategies for poverty reduction, because we think, that ratification of international treaty will be impossible, mainly due to the different problems regarding poverty reduction within every individual country. We propose to create an institutional framework for compliance with the national plans.
- Non-Governmental Organizations work with independence of action and therefore, we see great necessity for monitoring their work and co-operation in their work, whether within the agenda of the ministry of foreign affairs of every state or within the judiciary system of every state.









