



## FWCC Oral Statement to be delivered at the 49<sup>th</sup> Session of the Human Rights Council

### Item 5 General Debate

FWCC (Quakers) appreciates this opportunity to welcome report [49/68](#) on [...] prevention and technical assistance and capacity-building.

Human rights violations are often the root cause and a consequence of destructive conflict – and the promotion, protection and fulfilment of human rights is an indispensable foundation for a more peaceful, inclusive and just world. We therefore welcome the report's emphasis on how the HRC and the broader human rights community can work more effectively and coherently across *all* UN pillars to sustain peace - including through systematically integrating human rights in UN common analysis and programming, and increasing synergies between UN pillars; and it's reminder to have human rights at the centre of a new social contract.

We would emphasise the need to more intentionally:

- Ensure human rights mechanisms are on a sustainable financial footing - enabling the UN system to address prevention, foresight and reshape responses to violence with a human-rights based approach.
- Enhance engagement between the HRC and other intergovernmental organs including the PBC and Security Council to address cross-cutting issues from a prevention perspective and support countries in their efforts to build and sustain peace.
- Include peacebuilding and violence reduction practitioners in human rights processes and vis-versa, facilitated for instance by having prevention focal points at OHCHR, as knowledge and information nodes.
- Ensure relevant HRC reports including this report, [49/68](#) [on prevention & technical assistance], [48/21](#) on Special Procedures, [47/60](#) [on prevention] and [OHCHR's contributions to the PBA Review](#) - are communicated and discussed in the New Agenda for Peace process.

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