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| **ELEMENT** | **SOURCE** |
| Previous terms | OHCHR website, [List of past members of the Human Rights Council](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/PastMembers.aspx) |
| Submitted a public pledge on its candidacy | Unites Nations [Documents Search](http://www.un.org/en/documents/index.html) |
| Pledged to strengthen Human Rights Council membership and adherence to membership standards | Signed the [joint statement](https://extranet.ohchr.org/sites/hrc/HRCSessions/RegularSessions/35thSession/Pages/Statements.aspx?SessionId=14&MeetingDate=23/06/2017%2000:00:00) at the 35th session of the Human Rights Council presented by the Netherlands |
| Committed to applying an objective, human rights-based criteria in addressing situations of concern | Signed [joint statement](https://extranet.ohchr.org/sites/hrc/HRCSessions/RegularSessions/32ndSession/Pages/OralStatement.aspx?MeetingNumber=47&MeetingDate=Friday,%208%20July%202016) at the 32nd session of the Human Rights Council presented by Ireland, and by implication the [joint statement](https://extranet.ohchr.org/sites/hrc/HRCSessions/RegularSessions/35thSession/Pages/Statements.aspx?SessionId=14&MeetingDate=23/06/2017%2000:00:00) at the 35th session of the Human Rights Council presented by the Netherlands, and/or otherwise made a public pledge to apply the objective criteria elaborated in these statements |
| Played a leadership role on country situations at the Council | Taken collective action to fulfill commitments regarding country situations at the Council - set out in the [joint statement](https://extranet.ohchr.org/sites/hrc/HRCSessions/RegularSessions/32ndSession/Pages/OralStatement.aspx?MeetingNumber=47&MeetingDate=Friday,%208%20July%202016) at the 32nd Council session presented by Ireland and the [joint statement](https://extranet.ohchr.org/sites/hrc/HRCSessions/RegularSessions/35thSession/Pages/Statements.aspx?SessionId=14&MeetingDate=23/06/2017%2000:00:00) at the 35th Council session presented by the Netherlands - by demonstrating leadership with regards to at least one of the following, resulting in significant attention on at least two country situations: a joint statement, a resolution or a request for a special session.  *\*This includes any country situation in respect of which the State has played a non-public leadership role resulting in collective action at the Council* |
| Issued a standing invitation to Special Procedures | OHCHR website, [Standing Invitations](http://spinternet.ohchr.org/_Layouts/SpecialProceduresInternet/StandingInvitations.aspx) |
| Consistently responded positively to country visit requests (Less than 5 outstanding) | OHCHR website, [Country visits and special procedures](http://www.lan.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/CountryandothervisitsSP.aspx)  *\*Country visits requests made more than 6 years ago without a reminder sent by the special procedures are not counted.* |
| Sent a reply to more than 80% of communications received from Special Procedures | OHCHR website, [Country visits and special procedures](http://www.lan.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/CountryandothervisitsSP.aspx) |
| Accepted more than 70% of UPR recommendations | UPR Info website, Statistics of Recommendations - https://www.upr-info.org/database/statistics/ |
| Case of reprisals has never been highlighted in SG reports (2011-2016) | OHCHR website, [Acts of intimidation and reprisal for cooperation with the special procedures](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Actsofintimidationandreprisal.aspx) |
| Spoken out expressing concern about reprisals | Signed the [joint statement](https://www.ishr.ch/sites/default/files/article/files/reprisals_joint_statement_sept_2015.pdf) at the 30th session of the Human Rights Council presented by the Ghana - <https://www.ishr.ch/sites/default/files/article/files/reprisals_joint_statement_sept_2015.pdf>  And/or the joint statement at the 34th session of the Human Rights Council presented by Hungary-  <https://www.ishr.ch/sites/default/files/documents/js_34_session_reprisals.pdf> |
| The State has consistently sponsored Council and Third Committee resolutions on human rights defenders, civil society space and preventing reprisals | Sponsored more than 8 of the following resolutions: Human Rights Council resolutions 13/13, 22/6 & 31/32 (human rights defenders), 24/21 (civil society space), 12/12, 24/24, 36/21 (reprisals), 25/18 & 34/5 (renewal of mandate of Special Rapporteur on human rights defenders); General Assembly resolutions: 66/164, 68/181, 70/161, 72/247 |
| Ratified 10 or more international human rights treaties and protocols | Ratified 10 of more of the following international human rights treaties and protocols - [ICCPR](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CCPR.aspx), [ICCPR-OP1](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPCCPR1.aspx), [ICCPR-OP2](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/2ndOPCCPR.aspx); [ICESCR](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CESCR.aspx), [ICESR-OP](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPCESCR.aspx); ICRD; [CEDAW](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CEDAW.aspx), [CEDAW-OP](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/protocol/); [CRC](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CRC.aspx), [CRC-OP-AC](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPACCRC.aspx), [CRC-OP-SC](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPSCCRC.aspx), [CRC-OP-IC](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPICCRC.aspx); [ICMW](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CMW.aspx); [CPED](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CED/Pages/ConventionCED.aspx); [CPRD](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRPD/Pages/ConventionRightsPersonsWithDisabilities.aspx), [CRPD-OP](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRPD/Pages/OptionalProtocolRightsPersonsWithDisabilities.aspx); [CAT](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CAT.aspx), [OP-CAT](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPCAT.aspx) OHCHR website, [Ratification status](http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/TreatyBodyExternal/Treaty.aspx) |
| Has 3 or fewer outstanding treaty body reports | OHCHR website, [Reporting Status](http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/TreatyBodyExternal/Countries.aspx) |
| Has an NHRI in conformity with the Paris Principles (A-status) | GANHRI, [Status of National Institutions](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/NHRI/Chart_Status_NIs.pdf) |
| Sponsored both the Council and Third Committee resolutions on NHRIs | Sponsored both Human Rights Council resolution 27/18 and General Assembly resolutions 70/163 and 72/181 |