

Permanent Mission of India

Geneva

India's Intervention Business and Human Rights

Madam President,

India was one of the main sponsors of the resolution that adopted the Guiding Principles on business and human Rights. However, in this resolution we refrained from becoming one of the co main sponsors because we felt that the resolution as drafted here went beyond the scope that we had seen in the earlier declaration and the Guiding Principles that we had sponsored.

Madam Chair,

In an attempt to mainstream the issue of business and human rights agenda in the Council the resolution has tried to associate all special procedures, treaty bodies and UPR process to report on business and human rights. However as there is already a Working Group on this issue, overlapping of this issue into other special procedures would only dilute the focus and approach of the present procedures. Also the feasibility study to establish a global fund to enhance the capacity to advance the implementation of the guiding principles is not acceptable to us. However, Madam Chair as we see considerable support for this resolution we will be joining the consensus on it.
