UPR Schedule of the Gulf States

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Bahrain	Monday, 7 April 2008	21 May 2012
Kuwait	Wednesday, 12 May 2010	27 October 2014
Oman	Wednesday, 26 January 2011	20 July 2015
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Saudi Arabia	Friday, 6 February 2009	22 July 2013
United Arab Emirates	Thursday, 4 December 2008	22 October 2012
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Recommendations For the Gulf States in relation to Migrant Workers.

Bahrain Second Round Recommendations

- Consider joining other states in ratifying the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families and the ILO Convention 189 on Decent Work for Domestic Workers, as it progressively marches towards institutionalizing protective mechanisms for migrant workers (Philippines);

- Respond favorably to the requests for visit of the country and also facilitate the visits of the Special Rapporteur on migrants, Special Rapporteur on torture and the Special Rapporteur on freedom of peaceful assembly and of association (Slovenia);

- Step up its efforts in promoting and protecting migrant workers (Indonesia);

- Implements both procedural and legislative measures to protect to the utmost extent possible migrant workers in the country (Egypt);

- Intensify efforts and measures to enhance and expand protection for migrant workers in Bahrain (Lebanon).

Kuwait First Round Recommendations

- Develop appropriate legal frameworks for the enjoyment of the right to work and to just and favourable conditions of work to all migrant workers, especially domestic workers (Brazil);

- Undertake all efforts to create legislation against human trafficking and the smuggling of migrants for purposes of sexual exploitation and forced labour, in line with the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto, and as pledged in the national report (Israel);

Oman First Round Recommendations

- Further pursue cooperation with civil society organizations with a view to promoting and protecting human rights in different areas, including the areas of education, health, migrant workers and gender equality (Morocco);

- Enhance cooperation and assistance mechanisms to provide the required services regarding migrant workers during their presence in the Sultanate (Morocco);

- Continue to engage constructively with partners and with the international community to safeguard the human rights of migrant workers, particularly to life, liberty, security of person and just and favourable conditions of work (Philippines);

- Continue pursuing efficient, appropriate policies to provide for a better protection of migrant workers, this most vulnerable workforce (Slovakia);

Qatar First Round Recommendations

- To continue efforts to promote and protect the rights of migrant workers, and to share its leading experience in this area in international forums (Saudi Arabia);

- To continue efforts to combat discrimination against women, particularly migrant women (Brazil);

- To continue to strengthen its cooperation with civil society organizations in promoting and protecting human rights in areas such as the administration of justice, education, public health, migrant workers and gender equality (Malaysia);

- To examine the possibility of ratifying other international conventions that it has not yet ratified, in particular the two International Covenants and the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (Algeria);

Saudi Arabia First Round Recommendations

- Establish a broad based media information campaign on the rights of migrants in Arabic and in the languages of main groups of migrants (Belgium);

- Consider positively the ratification of the conventions on enforced disappearance, the migrant workers, refugees, statelessness and the reduction of cases of statelessness, and the Optional Protocol to CAT (Mexico);

- Continue its efforts to create a positive working environment for all foreign workers (Algeria); continue its efforts to protect the rights of migrant workers (Belarus, Philippines, Singapore); extend migrant workers rights equally to all migrant workers, regardless of their age and gender (Thailand);

- Report regularly to relevant mechanisms of the HRC on the remittances sent by those migrant workers to their families back home in various countries of the world, in order to estimate the contribution of such remittances to the promotion of economic and social rights in developing education, housing and health in these countries (Sudan

- Actively promote awareness of the 2005 Labour Code and establish an accessible complaint mechanism, such as a free phone-service, to which migrant workers can confidentially report instances of abuse and exploitation as well as seek assistance (New Zealand); review article 7 of the Labour Law and expand its coverage to include migrant workers (New Zealand);

- Strengthen efforts to ensure that violations of physical abuse and discrimination of migrant women who come to serve as domestic workers are acted upon and take steps necessary to ensure full enjoyment of human rights of all women in Saudi Arabia (Sweden);

United Arab Emirates First Round Recommendations

- To take further steps to improve the situation of migrant labourers and domestic staff (United Kingdom);

- To pursue and strengthen current efforts to address allegations and reports of discriminatory treatment of migrant workers, especially those related to female domestic workers (Italy);

- To continue to build on and strengthen efforts to protect the rights of migrant workers, especially women migrant domestic workers (Philippines);

- To continue to pursue active cooperation and dialogue with the countries of origin of migrant workers (Philippines);

- To bolster capacity to oversee working and living conditions of migrant workers by employing more inspectors to oversee implementation of labour laws (Canada);

- To take the necessary measures to guarantee access to civil, penal and labour justice, as well as assistance and consular protection for all migrants, regardless of their migratory status, to ascertain their rights in cases of abuse (Mexico);

- To step up efforts to ensure that economic, social and cultural rights of migrant workers are fully respected (Sweden);

Jordan First Round Recommendations

- Undertake efforts aimed at protecting the rights of foreign workers and prohibiting abuses that might be practiced against them (Algeria);

- continue measures to improve the well-being and human rights protection of migrant workers, including domestic workers (Philippines);