

especially in cases where countries are clearly emerging from difficult circumstances. This said, we have serious reservations about the appropriateness of engaging, in our discussion under the present item, in detailed consideration of specific country situations or reports. Our concern here should rather be to ensure the healthy evolution of the Centre's capability to deliver an effective Advisory Services Programme.

Perhaps this dilemma could be resolved if our deliberations under Item 12 were organized in a more discerning fashion, for instance as a series of component sub-items: One reserved for states which refuse cooperation with the United Nations, a second for states which cooperate with the current system of special rapporteurs or experts, and perhaps a third for those states emerging from difficult situations but which still require the active cooperation and assistance of this Organization. If such a reform were effected under Item 12, we could avoid the risk of turning the Advisory Services item into a contentious duplication of debates about country situations.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, my delegation commends the on-going efforts of the Centre for Human Rights in connection with the Advisory Services Programme and we look forward to the achievement of continued progress in this area.