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- Submitting alternative reports
- Following up on the “concluding observations”
- Submitting an individual complaint
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- Follow up on the national UPR recommendations
- Participate in the national UPR review
- Raise awareness about the UPR
- Invite a SR or IE on visit in the country
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