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Special accountability segment of the General Debate: *Follow-up actions by Members on IPU resolutions and other decisions*

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The IPU has entered a new stage, with a new Strategy for 2022-2026 that requires stronger accountability from both Member Parliaments and the Secretariat:

“Reinforcing and sustaining a culture of trust and mutual accountability on all levels – for and between Member Parliaments, between Member Parliaments and the IPU Secretariat, and within the Secretariat – is both a key organizational value and a critical factor in ensuring that progress towards all strategic objectives is sustained and occurs in a transparent and democratic manner.”

This new emphasis, as reflected in the fifth strategic objective, builds on the statutory provisions of the Organization, according to which all Members are expected to submit an annual report of their activities in follow-up to IPU decisions. As noted in Article 7 of the IPU Statutes:

“It is the duty of the Members of the IPU to submit the resolutions of the IPU within their respective Parliament, in the most appropriate form; to communicate them to the Government; to stimulate their implementation and to inform the IPU Secretariat, as often and fully as possible, particularly in its annual reports, of the steps taken and the results obtained. To this end, all heads of delegations to IPU Assemblies should submit in accordance with national laws a report to their national parliaments with a copy to the IPU Secretary General as soon as possible following the closure of the Assembly.”

Annual reports based on information received from Members are submitted to the Governing Council by the Secretary General – the 2021 report is available at <https://www.ipu.org/file/12993/download>. The IPU President and Secretary General are keen to actively engage the membership in this important exercise. As such, during the General Debate of the 144th Assembly in Nusa Dua, time will be set aside for Members to report directly on good practices and activities they have undertaken in follow-up to the decisions from the previous Assembly (Madrid, November 2021)¹, in particular:

- a) The Madrid Declaration: [Contemporary challenges to democracy: Overcoming division and building community](#)
- b) The resolution on [Legislation worldwide to combat online child sexual exploitation and abuse](#)
- c) The resolution on [Harnessing global parliamentary support for vaccine equity in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic](#)
- d) [Decisions on the human rights of parliamentarians](#)

All delegations are invited to contribute to this special session with brief interventions (maximum two minutes) highlighting the most relevant aspects of their work, as well as recommendations to further enhance the implementation process.

Delegations are invited to pre-register for this segment at documents@ipu.org.

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<https://www.ipu.org/event/143rd-assembly-and-related-meetings#event-sub-page-25153/>