

## **The Human Rights Council**

From 2010 to 2014 in the Human Rights Council, some 419 resolutions were adopted on a wide range of topics including violence against women, human trafficking, maternal mortality and eliminating discrimination against women. Another 211 resolutions were passed on topics that included reference to women's human rights, such as the right to food and rights of the child.

Under the Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council (UPR), a total number of 35,469 recommendations have been issued to States under review since 2008 when the UPR was established. Approximately 20% of those recommendations refer to women's human rights and gender equality issues. For more information, see the [UPR Info Database](#).

The special procedures of the Human Rights Council are independent human rights experts with the target of reporting and advising on human rights. In the years of 1995 to 2014, a total of 96 reports of special procedures had an explicit focus on women's human rights and gender equality, and 119 reports integrated women's human rights and gender equality issues on broader topics.