China: Overall Deterioration of Human Rights Outweighs Minor Improvements

A Mid-term Assessment of China’s Implementation of 2013 UPR Recommendations

Total: 252 Recommendations

- Accepted: 204
- Poor: 48

3 Years+ since the October 2013 UN Universal Periodic Review on China, a coalition of Chinese NGOs has assessed China’s implementation of UN Member State recommendations, including in areas of:

- freedom of expression
- LGBT rights
- disability rights
- freedom of assembly & association
- religious freedom
- political participation
- human rights education
- women’s rights

China accepted 204 recommendations, of which 33% are poor/inappropriate recommendations (vague, difficult/impossible to assess, unsound, controversial, or false presuppositions, such that the recommended courses of action are confusing or misleading).

Assessment Findings:

- Large discrepancies between Chinese government’s promises & actual implementation of UPR recommendations.

- Conditions of human rights in China have deteriorated in many areas examined, where UN Member States recommended ending abuses, strengthening protections & reforming existing laws & practices.

- The Chinese government has failed on many accounts to keep its promises made during the UPR.

- Not Implemented: 144
- Partial Implementation: 40
- Unable to evaluate: 16
- Implemented: 3

- Recommendations Accepted
- Recommendations Not Accepted