

**Notice for the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses
submitted by international and national civil society groups for the
Third National Report on the International Covenant on Civil and
Political Rights (ICCPR) and the International Covenant on
Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)**

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1. The parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses submitted by International and National civil society groups (hereinafter referred to as "civil society groups") to the International Review Committee on the Third National Reports of the Two Covenants shall be received and sent by the Secretariat of the Third National Report International Review Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Secretariat"); the International Review Committee will not accept any parallel (shadow) reports and the parallel response sent by the civil society group in any form, such as e-mail or hardcopy, etc.
2. The period of collecting and sending the parallel (shadow) reports of the civil society groups by the Secretariat starts from now until October 15, 2020; the

period of collecting and sending the parallel response of the civil society groups by the Secretariat before [November 30](#), 2021. Please prepare the Chinese and English version of the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel response in the electronic files and send them to the email address of the Secretariat (email: nhrr@mail.moj.gov.tw); the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses submitted in hard copies shall also be provided in the electronic file and the postmark shall serve as proof.

3. In any of the following circumstances, the Secretariat will not provide assistance in sending the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses:
 - (1) Late submission.
 - (2) The Chinese version, English version and the electronic file of the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses are not attached.
 - (3) The documents are not submitted by the civil society groups.
4. After the submission of parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses, except for those that are required to modify by the International Review Committee, the following processes shall be complied if a civil society group wants to modify any content of the reports:
 - (1) Submitting the modified version before the deadline and the Secretariat will replace the initial document and file with the modified one.
 - (2) Any modified version submitted after the deadline shall be approved by the chairmen of the International Review Committee of the Covenant; if the approval is not obtained, the Secretariat will not assist in sending the said document and file.
5. In order to reduce the burden of the International Review Committee, please follow the following instructions to prepare the formatting of the parallel (shadow) reports and responses:
 - (1) Please produce the report by computer instead of in handwriting.

- (2) Regarding the covers of parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses:
the name of the civil society group, relevant covenants and provisions shall be placed on the cover of the parallel (shadow) report; the name of the civil society group, relevant covenants and provisions and a list of the issues shall be placed on the cover of the parallel responses.
- (3) The content related to the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses:
- i. Chinese version: produced on A4 paper size, fixed line spacing 24 with BiauKai font size 14 and submitted in ODT or PDF file.
 - ii. English version: produced on A4 paper size, single line spacing with Garamond font size 14 and submitted in ODT or PDF file.
6. The Secretariat does not provide assistance to the translation and document formatting of parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses.
7. The parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses submitted by civil society groups shall be deemed to consent to disclosure, except for those expressly refuse to disclose by a declaration when sending to the Secretariat. The Chinese version and English Version of the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses shall be issued on the website of Human Rights in Taiwan by the Secretariat for reference of the public.
8. The Secretariat shall respond when receiving the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses from civil society groups. If the response from the Secretariat have not been received within 3 days after providing the parallel (shadow) reports and parallel responses, please contact the Secretariat (Tel.: (02)2331-1368) for more information.