

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**FIJI**

**Voting Coincidence Percentages**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 18, Disagree 33, Abstain 12, Absent 25: 35.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 82.6%

—Arms Control: 47.6%; Human Rights: 43.8%; Middle East: 30.8%

Important Votes (13): Agree 3, Disagree 3, Abstain 5, Absent 2: 50.0%

**Important Issues**

**VOTES**

1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....(N) X

**FINLAND**

**Voting Coincidence Percentages**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 31, Disagree 41, Abstain 16, Absent 0: 43.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.5%

—Arms Control: 41.7%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

**Important Issues**

**VOTES**

1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....(N) A

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**FRANCE**

**Voting Coincidence Percentages**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 39, Disagree 33, Abstain 16, Absent 0: 54.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 87.5%

—Arms Control: 59.0%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**GABON**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 2, Disagree 38, Abstain 0, Absent 48: 5.0%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 71.0%

—Arms Control: 12.5%; Human Rights: 6.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 7, Abstain 0, Absent 6: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) X
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) X
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**GAMBIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 0, Disagree 30, Abstain 3, Absent 55: 0.0%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 69.2%

—Arms Control: 0.0%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 6, Abstain 3, Absent 4: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) X
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**GEORGIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 28, Disagree 39, Abstain 17, Absent 4: 41.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.5%

—Arms Control: 45.7%; Human Rights: 64.7%; Middle East: 6.7%

Important Votes (13): Agree 4, Disagree 2, Abstain 7, Absent 0: 66.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

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**GERMANY**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 41, Abstain 15, Absent 0: 43.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.5%

—Arms Control: 43.2%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**GHANA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 14, Disagree 63, Abstain 8, Absent 3: 18.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.1%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 6.7%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 12.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**GREECE**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 40, Abstain 16, Absent 0: 44.4%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.8%

—Arms Control: 45.7%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**GRENADA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 62, Abstain 10, Absent 3: 17.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.3%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 6.7%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 12.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**GUATEMALA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 19, Disagree 62, Abstain 7, Absent 0: 23.5%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 77.1%

—Arms Control: 28.6%; Human Rights: 30.0%; Middle East: 16.7%

Important Votes (13): Agree 2, Disagree 4, Abstain 7, Absent 0: 33.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**GUINEA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 11, Disagree 66, Abstain 1, Absent 10: 14.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 73.5%

—Arms Control: 29.7%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 10, Abstain 1, Absent 2: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**GUINEA-BISSAU**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 15, Disagree 56, Abstain 7, Absent 10: 21.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 77.0%

—Arms Control: 32.4%; Human Rights: 11.8%; Middle East: 5.9%

Important Votes (13): Agree 2, Disagree 8, Abstain 2, Absent 1: 20.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**GUYANA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 14, Disagree 59, Abstain 6, Absent 9: 19.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.1%

—Arms Control: 32.4%; Human Rights: 6.7%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 3, Absent 2: 12.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**HAITI**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 16, Disagree 55, Abstain 8, Absent 9: 22.5%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 77.6%  
—Arms Control: 33.3%; Human Rights: 18.8%; Middle East: 15.8%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 3, Absent 2: 12.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

**HONDURAS**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 21, Disagree 63, Abstain 3, Absent 1: 25.0%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 77.0%  
—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 33.3%; Middle East: 21.1%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 4, Disagree 7, Abstain 2, Absent 0: 36.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote



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**HUNGARY**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 39, Abstain 17, Absent 0: 45.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.2%

—Arms Control: 45.7%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**ICELAND**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 42, Abstain 13, Absent 1: 43.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.1%

—Arms Control: 44.4%; Human Rights: 66.7%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 3, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 62.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**INDIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 18, Disagree 58, Abstain 11, Absent 1: 23.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 78.2%

—Arms Control: 46.9%; Human Rights: 13.6%; Middle East: 04.8%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 10, Abstain 2, Absent 0: 9.1%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**INDONESIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 73, Abstain 2, Absent 0: 15.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 73.7%

—Arms Control: 26.8%; Human Rights: 4.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 11, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 8.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**IRAN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 4, Disagree 69, Abstain 15, Absent 0: 5.5%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.0%  
—Arms Control: 11.1%; Human Rights: 4.2%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 12, Abstain 0, Absent 0: 7.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**IRAQ**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 8, Disagree 63, Abstain 10, Absent 7: 11.3%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.7%  
—Arms Control: 15.6%; Human Rights: 15.0%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 3, Disagree 7, Abstain 0, Absent 3: 30.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) X
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) X
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**IRELAND**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 30, Disagree 44, Abstain 14, Absent 0: 40.5%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 83.5%

—Arms Control: 36.8%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**ISRAEL**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 64, Disagree 9, Abstain 15, Absent 0: 87.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 96.6%

—Arms Control: 83.3%; Human Rights: 82.6%; Middle East: 100%

Important Votes (13): Agree 11, Disagree 1, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 91.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) N
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) N
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) N
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) N
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) N
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) N

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**ITALY**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 41, Abstain 15, Absent 0: 43.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.5%

—Arms Control: 43.2%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**JAMAICA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 14, Disagree 64, Abstain 8, Absent 2: 17.9%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 75.9%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 6.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 8, Abstain 4, Absent 0: 11.1%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**JAPAN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 28, Disagree 41, Abstain 18, Absent 1: 40.6%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.2%

—Arms Control: 35.3%; Human Rights: 73.7%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 1, Abstain 7, Absent 0: 83.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**JORDAN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 6, Disagree 66, Abstain 15, Absent 1: 8.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.8%

—Arms Control: 14.7%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 8, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**KAZAKHSTAN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 17, Disagree 62, Abstain 6, Absent 3: 21.5%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.4%  
—Arms Control: 33.3%; Human Rights: 18.2%; Middle East: 9.5%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 2, Disagree 10, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 16.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**KENYA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 12, Disagree 64, Abstain 9, Absent 3: 15.8%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 75.6%  
—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 8, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**KIRIBATI**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 5, Disagree 1, Abstain 0, Absent 82: 83.3%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 94.4%  
—Arms Control: 0.0%; Human Rights: 100%; Middle East: 100%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 3, Disagree 1, Abstain 0, Absent 9: 75.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) X
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) X
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) X
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) X
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

**KUWAIT**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 6, Disagree 66, Abstain 14, Absent 2: 8.3%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.6%  
—Arms Control: 13.8%; Human Rights: 4.5%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 10, Abstain 2, Absent 0: 9.1%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote



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**KYRGYZSTAN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 65, Abstain 7, Absent 3: 16.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 75.4%

—Arms Control: 36.1%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 11, Abstain 2, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**LAOS**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 10, Disagree 62, Abstain 7, Absent 9: 13.9%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.8%

—Arms Control: 26.5%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 10, Abstain 3, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**LATVIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 37, Abstain 18, Absent 1: 46.4%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.7%

—Arms Control: 48.5%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**LEBANON**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 7, Disagree 70, Abstain 10, Absent 1: 9.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 73.8%

—Arms Control: 15.2%; Human Rights: 8.7%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 2, Disagree 10, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 16.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**LESOTHO**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 62, Abstain 9, Absent 4: 17.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.1%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 7, Abstain 5, Absent 1: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**LIBERIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 19, Disagree 54, Abstain 5, Absent 10: 26.0%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 78.0%

—Arms Control: 33.3%; Human Rights: 33.3%; Middle East: 19.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 4, Disagree 5, Abstain 2, Absent 2: 44.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**LIBYA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 5, Disagree 68, Abstain 13, Absent 2: 6.8%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.0%  
—Arms Control: 16.7%; Human Rights: 4.3%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 11, Abstain 0, Absent 1: 8.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**LIECHTENSTEIN**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 31, Disagree 44, Abstain 13, Absent 0: 41.3%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 83.5%  
—Arms Control: 40.5%; Human Rights: 66.7%; Middle East: 22.2%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 3, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 62.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**LITHUANIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 33, Disagree 39, Abstain 16, Absent 0: 45.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.2%

—Arms Control: 47.2%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**LUXEMBOURG**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 32, Disagree 38, Abstain 17, Absent 1: 45.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.4%

—Arms Control: 47.1%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MADAGASCAR**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 14, Disagree 53, Abstain 3, Absent 18: 20.9%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.1%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 6.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 5, Abstain 1, Absent 6: 16.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) X
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) X
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**MALAWI**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 14, Disagree 59, Abstain 6, Absent 9: 19.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.1%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 5.6%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 3, Absent 2: 12.5 %

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**MALAYSIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 71, Abstain 3, Absent 1: 15.5%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.1%

—Arms Control: 27.5%; Human Rights: 4.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 12, Abstain 0, Absent 0: 7.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**MALDIVES**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 16, Disagree 66, Abstain 0, Absent 6: 19.5%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.8%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 15.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 3, Disagree 8, Abstain 0, Absent 2: 27.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) X
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MALI**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 68, Abstain 5, Absent 2: 16.0%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.7%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 10, Abstain 3, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b><u>VOTES</u></b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**MALTA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 30, Disagree 45, Abstain 12, Absent 1: 35.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 83.0%

—Arms Control: 37.8%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 20.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 4, Abstain 4, Absent 0: 55.6%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b><u>VOTES</u></b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote



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**MARSHALL ISLANDS**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 49, Disagree 21, Abstain 9, Absent 9: 70.0%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 91.3%  
—Arms Control: 48.1%; Human Rights: 82.6%; Middle East: 100%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 10, Disagree 2, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 83.3%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) A
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) N
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) N
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) N
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) N
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) N

**MAURITANIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 6, Disagree 70, Abstain 10, Absent 2: 7.9%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 73.5%  
—Arms Control: 14.7%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 10, Abstain 3, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MAURITIUS**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 15, Disagree 61, Abstain 10, Absent 2: 19.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.7%

—Arms Control: 30.6%; Human Rights: 16.7%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 8, Abstain 4, Absent 0: 11.1%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**MEXICO**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 20, Disagree 63, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 24.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 77.1%

—Arms Control: 26.8%; Human Rights: 38.1%; Middle East: 19.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 4, Disagree 6, Abstain 3, Absent 0: 40.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MICRONESIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 49, Disagree 14, Abstain 8, Absent 17: 77.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 93.5%

—Arms Control: 66.7%; Human Rights: 78.9%; Middle East: 100%

Important Votes (13): Agree 9, Disagree 2, Abstain 1, Absent 1: 81.8%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) A
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) N
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) N
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) N
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) N
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

**MOLDOVA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 31, Disagree 40, Abstain 17, Absent 0: 43.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.8%

—Arms Control: 42.9%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MONACO**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 30, Disagree 34, Abstain 15, Absent 9: 46.9%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.5%

—Arms Control: 50.0%; Human Rights: 68.4%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**MONGOLIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 16, Disagree 60, Abstain 8, Absent 4: 21.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.9%

—Arms Control: 28.6%; Human Rights: 17.6%; Middle East: 6.3%

Important Votes (13): Agree 3, Disagree 4, Abstain 3, Absent 3: 42.9%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) X
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**MONTENEGRO**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 31, Disagree 41, Abstain 16, Absent 0: 43.1%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 84.5%

—Arms Control: 42.9%; Human Rights: 70.0%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 6, Absent 0: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) A

**MOROCCO**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 8, Disagree 67, Abstain 11, Absent 2: 10.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.5%

—Arms Control: 14.7%; Human Rights: 10.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 2, Disagree 9, Abstain 1, Absent 1: 18.2%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) X
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**MOZAMBIQUE**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 65, Abstain 6, Absent 4: 16.7%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 75.2%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 9, Abstain 4, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**MYANMAR (BURMA)**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 7, Disagree 68, Abstain 11, Absent 2: 9.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.1%

—Arms Control: 19.4%; Human Rights: 4.5%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 12, Abstain 0, Absent 0: 7.7%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) N
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**NAMIBIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 12, Disagree 69, Abstain 5, Absent 2: 14.8%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.4%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 10, Abstain 3, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**NAURU**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 33, Disagree 27, Abstain 5, Absent 23: 55.0%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 86.8%

—Arms Control: 37.9%; Human Rights: 50.0%; Middle East: 100%

Important Votes (13): Agree 7, Disagree 2, Abstain 2, Absent 2: 77.8%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) N
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) N
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) N
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) X
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) X

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**NEPAL**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 15, Disagree 64, Abstain 8, Absent 1: 19.0%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 76.2%  
—Arms Control: 31.7%; Human Rights: 11.8%; Middle East: 0.0%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 8, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) A
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**NETHERLANDS**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 34, Disagree 39, Abstain 14, Absent 1: 46.6%  
—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 85.2%  
—Arms Control: 47.2%; Human Rights: 71.4%; Middle East: 22.2%  
Important Votes (13): Agree 6, Disagree 2, Abstain 5, Absent 0: 75.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) N
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) N

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote



*V—Country Voting Practices in the United Nations*

**NEW ZEALAND**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 29, Disagree 45, Abstain 13, Absent 1: 39.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 83.0%

—Arms Control: 35.9%; Human Rights: 68.4%; Middle East: 22.2%

Important Votes (13): Agree 5, Disagree 2, Abstain 5, Absent 1: 71.4%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) A
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) A
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) A
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) Y
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) N
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) Y
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) X
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) A
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) A
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) Y
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) N

**NICARAGUA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 72, Abstain 2, Absent 1: 15.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 73.8%

—Arms Control: 27.5%; Human Rights: 4.3%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 12, Abstain 1, Absent 0: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) Y
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) Y
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) N
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote

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**NIGER**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 12, Disagree 62, Abstain 4, Absent 10: 16.2%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 74.6%

—Arms Control: 30.0%; Human Rights: 0.0%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 0, Disagree 7, Abstain 4, Absent 2: 0.0%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) X
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) X
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) Y
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) N
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) A
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) A
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

**NIGERIA**

Overall Votes (88): Agree 13, Disagree 62, Abstain 6, Absent 7: 17.3%

—Including all 192 Consensus Resolutions: 75.5%

—Arms Control: 29.3%; Human Rights: 5.6%; Middle East: 0.0%

Important Votes (13): Agree 1, Disagree 7, Abstain 3, Absent 2: 12.5%

<b>Important Issues</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
1. U.S. Embargo of Cuba.....	(N) Y
2. Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.....	(N) Y
3. Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat .....	(N) Y
4. Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices .....	(N) X
5. Human Rights in North Korea .....	(Y) A
6. Human Rights in Iran (No Action Motion).....	(N) A
7. Human Rights in Iran.....	(Y) A
8. Moratorium on the Use of the Death Penalty.....	(N) N
9. Combating Defamation of Religions .....	(N) Y
10. Toward a New International Economic Order .....	(N) Y
11. Report of the Human Rights Council.....	(N) Y
12. Human Rights in Myanmar (Burma) .....	(Y) X
13. Global Efforts to Eliminate Racism .....	(N) Y

Votes: Y=Yes, N=No, A=Abstain, X=Absent, ( )=U.S. Vote