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Seychelles acknowledges the efforts undertaken by the People's Republic of China in gradually adopting policies, procedures and practices that are in line with the recommendations of the UN, and its own commitment to people centred development.

We would like to encourage the People's Republic of China to maintain that course and where possible to step up these efforts.

To this end <u>we recommend</u> that the People's Republic of China considers signing and ratifying the third Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on a Communications Procedure.

We commend the emphasis on human rights education reflected in the Chinese National Action Plan on Human Rights <u>and welcome</u> efforts to strengthen human rights education, with a view of enhancing human rights awareness.