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CSOs engaged in the promotion and protection of human rights, including the right to development, therefore play a complementary role to that of States, which are the primary duty-bearers in guaranteeing these rights.

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