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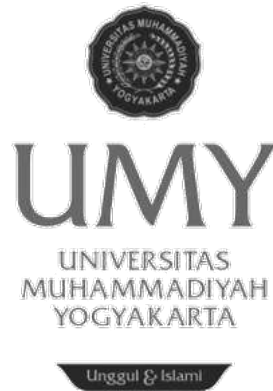


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“Change is the law of life, and those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.”

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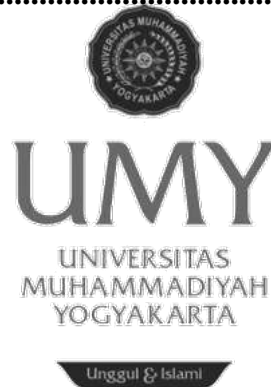


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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)

International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

United Nations Human Rights Council Resolution on the Promotion, Protection,
and Enjoyment of Human Rights on the Internet

1982 Chinese Constitution



LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

3T	: Taiwan, Tiananmen, and Tibet
ARPA	: Advance Research Project Agency
ARPANET	: Advanced Research Project Agency Network
CCP	: Chinese Communist Party
ESNI	: Encrypted Server Name Indication
GFW	: Great Firewall of China
HTML	: Hypertext Markup Language
ICCPR	: International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	: International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
ISP	: Internet Service Provider
OFC	: Optical Fiber Communication
OMCT	: Organisation Mondiale Contre la Torture
SDG	: Sustainable Development Goals
TCP/IP	: Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
UCLA	: University of California, Los Angeles
UCSB	: University of California, Santa Barbara
UDHR	: Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UN	: United Nations
UNESCO	: The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
USA	: United State of America
VPN	: Virtual Private Network
WWW	: World Wide Web
XUAR	: Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region