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DECLARATION ON THE ELIMINATION OF
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

Memorandum by the Secretary-General

Addendum

The Secretary-General has the honour to submit to the Commission on the Status of Women the following additional comments and proposals which have been received from the Pan-Pacific and Southeast Asia Women's Association, a non-governmental organization in category B consultative status.

PAN-PACIFIC AND SOUTHEAST ASIA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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1. The Pan-Pacific and Southeast Asia Women's Association will welcome a Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, which will include the principles already enunciated in the existing conventions prepared under the auspices of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Such a Declaration will be a valuable weapon and a spur to action in various Member States of the United Nations and it will also be useful to non-governmental organizations in their work.
2. A Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women should be simply worded, brief but comprehensive, covering not only legal discrimination, but the more subtle type of discrimination which, even where there is no legal basis for discrimination, denies equality of opportunity to women.
3. Such a Declaration will implement the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in both of which the equal rights of all human beings regardless of sex are affirmed.