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Observations of Governments on the Draft International
Covenant on Human Rights

9. DENMARK

(Letter dated 15 August 1951 from the
Permanent Delegation of Denmark to
the United Nations)

Article 6 :

Danish legislation relating to public assistance authorizes detention by administrative acts without observing the provisions contained in article 6, paragraph 5.

Articles 19, 20 and 24 :

The Danish government has some hesitation concerning the formulation of the above articles, inasmuch as the obligations of the states parties to the Covenant do not seem clearly defined. Moreover, the above articles concern subjects, which are only partly within the control of the individual countries.

Article 21 :

As far as private enterprise is concerned, the Danish government leaves it to the parties in question to decide through free negotiations questions of remuneration and working-hours. To a certain extent other working conditions are decided in the same manner.

Article 28, paragraph 9 :

In principle the Danish government agrees with this provision but is of the opinion that it ought to be interpreted with a certain reservation, namely that no teaching can be undertaken if contrary to decency and public order.