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Addendun

MALI

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COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT DECLARATION PROPOSED BY YUGOSLAVIA

The Republic of Mali has only the following two comments to make regarding this draft, which is interesting in a number of respects:

4. Mali would like article 2, paragraph 2, to be expanded to read as follows:

"Any propagan a or activity aimed at liscriminating against minorities or threatening their right to equal expression and development of their own characteristics is incompatible with the fundamental principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and as such should be condemned by the States Members of the Organization."

• Mali's second proposal concerns article 3, which it would like to be worded as ollows:

"For the purpose of realizing conditions of full equality and complete development of minorities as collectivities and of their individual members, the States Members of the Organization are invited to take specific measures which would enable minorities freely to express their characteristics, to develop their culture, education, language, traditions and customs and to participate on an equitable basis in the cultural, social, economic and political life of the country in which they live."