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Written statement submitted by the American Bar Association, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement, which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

[4 February 1999]

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

Recommendation adopted by the house of delegates 1 3-4 August 1998

RESOLVED, that the American Bar Association recommends that the United States Government and the United Nations work towards consolidating into two committees the six United Nations standing committees currently monitoring compliance with the United Nations human rights treaties: one committee to review all State reports, and the other to examine inter-State and individual communications.

 $[\]ensuremath{^{1}}\xspace The accompanying report is available for consultation in the secretariat.$