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FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Netherlands: amendment to the articles relating to
measures of implementation submitted by the
Philippines (A/C.3/L.1221)

Article 16

Replace the text of the present Article (16) by the following:

1. The Committee may receive petitions addressed to the Secretary-General from any person, non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, or group of persons claiming to be the victim of a violation of the rights set forth in this Convention by any State party, provided that the State party complained of has declared that it recognizes the competence of the Committee to receive such petitions.

2. The declaration of a State party mentioned in the preceding paragraph may be made in general terms, or for a particular case or for a specific period, and shall be deposited with the Secretary-General who shall transmit copies thereof to the other States parties.

3. The Committee shall consider inadmissible any petition under this Article which:

(a) is anonymous,

(b) is substantially the same as a matter which was previously examined by the Committee or has already been submitted to another procedure of international investigation or settlement and if it contains no relevant new information,

(c) it considers incompatible with the provisions of the present Convention, manifestly ill-founded or an abuse of the right of petition.

4. The Committee shall reject any petition referred to it which it considers inadmissible under Article (12).
