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Note by the Secretariat

A list of proposals recorded in regard to paragraph 13

This document contains a list of the proposals recorded by the Committee of the Whole in the course of its first reading of document A/CONF.157/PC/82, at its 8th meeting on 29 April 1993.

Insert between Paragraphs 12 and 13

Proposed by	New text
1. Canada	<u>To be inserted after Para. 12:</u> Aware of the serious human rights problems resulting from mass exoduses of refugees, internally displaced persons and returnees, the World Conference emphasizes the urgent need for the international community to find ways to deal effectively with the root causes of forced displacement, <u>inter alia</u> through the strengthening of early warning mechanisms.
11. Sudan	<u>Alternative drafting for the Para. suggested by Canada (above) to be placed between Para. 12 and Para. 13:</u> In case of displaced persons and refugees the international community shall coordinate its efforts with the States concerned taking into consideration the local conditions prevailing in those States.
13. Sweden	<u>Para. 12 bis</u> Special attention need to be paid to ensuring equal enjoyment by disabled persons of all human rights, including their active participation in all aspects of society.

Paragraph 13:

Utmost importance must be given to the promotion and protection of the human rights of vulnerable groups, the elimination of all forms of discrimination against them, and the development of additional norms for their protection when necessary. States have an obligation to create and maintain adequate measures at the national level, not least in the fields of education, health and social support, for the promotion and protection of the rights of the vulnerable sectors of their populations and the involvement of these persons in the solution of their own problems.

Amended by	Amendment
2. Mexico Cuba (2nd amendment) Colombia (1st amendment)	1. <u>First sentence, after the words:</u> "vulnerables groups," add "including migrant workers". 2. <u>Add (para 18 of PC/58):</u> "we consider that efforts must be intensified to improve the situation of migrant workers and their families according to the principle of non-discrimination, and we encourage Governments to adhere to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrants Workers and Members of Their Families;"
3. Costa Rica	1. In the second sentence, replace the words "vulnerable sectors of their populations" by "sectors which have been rendered vulnerable". 2. At the end of the second sentence, after the words "their own problems", change the full stop to a semi-colon and add "because vulnerability is the result of a combination of factors, no human group must be considered vulnerable <u>per se</u> or <u>a priori</u> ".
4. India	<u>Delete in first sentence:</u> "and development of additional norms for their protection when necessary".
5. Cuba	<u>Delete in first sentence:</u> "when necessary"
7. USA	1. <u>Amend first sentence as follows:</u> "Great importance must be given to the protection and promotion of the human rights of <u>persons belonging to</u> vulnerable groups..."

8. United Kingdom	1. <u>Amend first sentence as follows: After "discrimination against them", add "more effective implementation of existing human rights instruments".</u> 2. <u>At the end of the first sentence after "necessary" add "in accordance with General Assembly resolution 41/120 (of 4 December 1986)."</u>
9. El Salvador	<u>Amend first sentence as follows: "Utmost importance must be given to the promotion and protection of the human rights of vulnerable groups, and we attach utmost importance to the treatment of disability, the elimination of all forms of discrimination against them, and the development of additional norms which, on an equal basis, guarantee the full enjoyment and exercise of their human rights".</u>

Proposed by	New text (13 bis)
6. Denmark	Massive violations of human rights and humanitarian law create an increasing number of refugees and displaced persons. The World Conference stresses the importance of universal adherence to the 1951 General Convention relating to the status of Refugees, its 1967 Protocol and humanitarian law principles. Further it strongly recommends a comprehensive approach to the global refugee crisis focussed on prevention of the circumstances which force people to flee, improved emergency response when flight has become necessary and durable solutions, including voluntary repatriation.
9. El Salvador	States have an obligation to create and maintain adequate measures at the national level, not least in the field of education. We emphasize the importance of incorporating the subject of human rights in the education given by States and recommend that human rights should be established as a priority objective of education policies.