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A list of proposals recorded in regard to Principle 8

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 seventh meeting on 29 April 1993.

Principle 8:

Respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all human beings without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion is a fundamental rule of international human rights law. The speedy and comprehensive elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance is a priority task for the international community. Governments, individuals, groups, institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are urged to intensify their efforts in cooperating and coordinating their activities against this evil.

Amended by	Amendment
2. Spain	1. Delete the word "related" in the second sentence. 2. In the third sentence, replace the words "against this evil" by "with the aim of eradicating these odious practices as soon as possible".

3. Cuba	<u>Substitute paras. 10 and 11 of PC/58:</u> 10. We affirm that the obstacles to the observance of human rights which must be eliminated include: lack of democracy and freedom, international coercive measures that affect human rights, lack of education, poor socio-economic conditions resulting partly from the transfer of resources to the servicing of foreign debt and from the disparity in the terms of international trade, corruption, impunity, a shortage of resources for the institutionalization and administration of justice, various forms of intolerance, widespread violence, terrorism and drug trafficking at all stages, the illegal arms trade, the militarization of societies and the uncontrolled production and supply of arms, the failure to ratify international human rights treaties, the lack of genuinely independent systems of justice and the lack of respect for the resolutions adopted by organs of the United Nations system and the inter-American system pertaining to the enjoyment of these rights; 11. We hold that measures must be taken to prevent the rise in other parts of the world of new trends of systematic, flagrant human rights violations which have arisen in some countries, such as disturbing manifestations of intolerance, all forms of racial discrimination, xenophobia, neo-nazism and ethnic cleansing;
4. Venezuela	<u>Amend 2nd and 3rd sentences as follows:</u> The speedy and comprehensive elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and systematic violations of human rights is a priority task for the international community. <u>In this regard, it is indispensable that governments, individuals, groups, institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations take measures in order to eradicate this evil.</u>

5. China	1. Delete the first sentence 2. Delete in the second sentence the following words: "Governments, individuals, groups, institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are urged to". 3. The amended text reads as follows: "The speedy and comprehensive elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance is a priority task for the international community, which should intensify its efforts in cooperating and coordinating its activities against this evil."
7. Sweden	Add to the first sentence: Respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms and humanitarian law for all human beings without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status (Univ. Decl. Art. 2, CCPR Art. 26) is a fundamental... Add to the last sentence: "... evil and other forms of discrimination".
8. United Kingdom	Amend as follows: Respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all human beings without distinction of any kind such as race, colour, sex, language or religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status, including age and disability, is a fundamental principle of international human rights law. The speedy and comprehensive elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and other manifestations of intolerance is a priority task for the international community Governments, individuals...

9. Cyprus	1. <u>Add to 2nd sentence:</u> "foreign aggression and occupation, of the policy of ethnic cleansing" just before the word "racism". 2. <u>The words "this evil", at the end of the paragraph should be replaced by "these evils".</u> 3. <u>Add the following at the end of para:</u> "Governments, in particular, are urged to ensure that the respect of human rights is the basis for the solutions to political problems."
10. Turkey	Delete the second sentence and substitute with the following: "All forms and manifestation of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance constitute violations of human rights. All States should take necessary measures for their speedy and comprehensive elimination." (The last sentence remains as is.) (UN Declaration on the Elimination of All forms of Racial Discrimination.)
13. Mexico	First sentence: no change Second sentence: after the word "intolerance", add "which have increasingly led to serious violations of human rights ..." Third sentence: "Governments are strongly urged to adopt concrete measures, and institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts ..."
14. Canada	<u>Add to 2nd sentence:</u> "... intolerance and gender discrimination and related violence, is..."
15. Iran	<u>Add to 2nd sentence:</u> "... related intolerance, policy of ethnic cleansing and human rights violations resulting from foreign occupation and alien domination is a priority task..." <u>"this evil" in last sentence needs to be changed to "these evils".</u>
16. USA	<u>Add to the 1st sentence:</u> <u>"Respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all human beings without distinction as to race, sex, sexual preference, language or religion is a fundamental rule of international human rights law..."</u>
17. Costa Rica	<u>Add to the 1st sentence the word "edad" between sexo and idioma.</u>

18. Jamaica	Amend 1st sentence as follows: Replace the word "is" with the word "remains".
Proposed by	New text
6. Chile	Respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all human beings without distinction, <u>on grounds of birth, race, sex, language, religion, membership of a particular social group, nationality or political choice</u> is a fundamental rule of international human rights law. The speedy and comprehensive elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance is a priority task for the international community. <u>Governments have an obligation to impose exemplary punishment, in accordance with rigorous laws, all acts and manifestations of racism or xenophobia, to undertake education campaigns and campaigns repudiating such conduct, to assume responsibility for damage compensation campaigns and to demonstrate solidarity with the victims of these acts.</u>

Proposed by	To be inserted between Principles 8 and 9
Turkey	All methods, acts and practices of terrorism including its linkage with drug traffic, as distinguished from the legitimate struggle of peoples under colonial domination and foreign occupation, constitutes a major form of violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms, threatening territorial integrity, security and stability as well as democratic processes and social economic development of the States. The international community should take the necessary steps to prevent and combat terrorism through cooperation. (Article 30 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, GA resolutions 2625 and 40/61, Bangkok and San Jose declarations).