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A list of proposals recorded in regard to paragraph 15

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 eighth meeting on 29 April 1993.

Paragraph 15:

The administration of justice and an independent judiciary, in full conformity with internationally accepted standards, are crucial to the full realization of human rights and indispensable to the processes of democracy and development. The attainment of this objective requires substantial investment in the establishment and strengthening of institutions and the training of officials, and governments and international organizations must recognize and provide the necessary resources to the accomplishment of this task.

Amended by	Amendment
1. Iran	In first sentence replace the words "realization of human rights" with the words "compliance with various human rights treaties".
2. Cuba	In the second line, after the word "full" insert the words "and non-discriminatory"
3. USA	Substitute the text proposed by the Special Rapporteur in document A/CONF.157/PC/Add.14, page 3: The administration of justice, including law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies and, especially, an independent judiciary and legal profession, in full conformity with internationally accepted standards, are crucial to the full realization of human rights and indispensable to the processes of democracy and development. It is incumbent upon Governments to make every effort to establish and strengthen the relevant institutions and the training of officials. International organizations are called upon to assist them in these endeavours."
4. Australia	Line 7, after the word "officials" add the words "including gender awareness training".
5. China	Replace the first sentence by the operative paragraph 3 of the Tunis Declaration (first sentence): "The proper administration of justice and an independent judiciary are crucial to the full realization of human rights."

6. Indonesia	<p>1. <u>In first sentence replace the words "in full conformity with internationally accepted standards" with "in accordance with generally accepted norms".</u></p> <p>2. <u>At the end of the paragraph add the following words: "including through international cooperation".</u></p>
8. Bangladesh	<p><u>Replace the words "accepted standards" with "recognized norms".</u></p>
9. Cyprus	<p>1. <u>In first sentence replace the word "crucial" with the word "fundamental".</u></p> <p>2. <u>In second sentence put a full-stop after the word "officials" and begin a new sentence with the words: "Thus, Governments and international organizations...".</u></p>

Proposed by	New text
7. India	<p>An effective framework of remedies should be provided for the redress of human rights grievances in every country. In particular, the impartiality and independence of the judiciary and the independence of the legal profession in accordance with generally accepted international standards are crucial to the full realization of human rights and are indispensable to the processes of democracy and development. It is of the highest importance to strengthen the institutions of the judiciary and the legal profession in every country for the maintenance and protection of human rights throughout the world, and the United Nations should establish a special programme of advisory services on a priority basis for the achievement of that objective.</p>