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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
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INTERNATIONAL BILL OF RIGHTS

UNITED STATES SUGGESTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH
A DRAFT DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

PORTION OF PREAMBLE

"Whereas one of the purposes of the United Nations as set forth in its Charter is to achieve international co-operation in promoting and encouraging respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all;

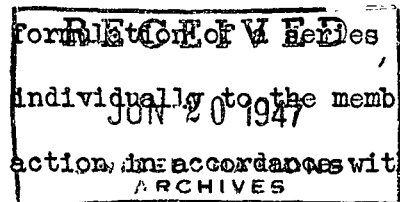
"Whereas all Members of the United Nations have pledged themselves to take joint and separate action in co-operation with the Organization for the achievement of universal respect for, and observance of, human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion;

"Whereas the adoption of a bill of human rights will promote the fulfillment of this purpose;

"Therefore the General Assembly calls upon the member states to make effective the rights set forth in this bill by international convention and national legislation."

ARTICLE ON IMPLEMENTATION

1. The Articles in this Bill of Rights shall be referred to the appropriate organs or agencies of the United Nations with a view to the formulation of series of international conventions to be submitted individually to the member states for ratification or other appropriate action in accordance with their respective constitutional processes.



/2. The Conventions

2. The Conventions thus concluded shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations for registration and publication in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter.

3. The Conventions shall provide for submission to the Secretary-General of copies of the laws or regulations by which the member state gives effect to the provisions of the Convention together with the name of the competent authority responsible for compliance, and of periodic reports concerning the enforcement and revisions of such laws.

4. The Secretary-General shall inform the General Assembly each year of the Conventions embodying the provisions of this Bill of Rights which have been proposed to the member states, and the number of states which have ratified or have failed to ratify them.
