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DRAFT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF
ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Ghana, India, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland
and Senegal: amendments to the provisions of the draft
International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of
Racial Discrimination adopted by the Commission on
Human Rights (A/5921, annex)

Article I

Replace the present text of article 1 by the following:

"1. In this Convention the term 'racial discrimination' shall mean any distinction, exclusion, restriction or preference based on race, colour, descent, national or ethnic origin which has the purpose or effect of nullifying or impairing the recognition, enjoyment or exercise, on an equal footing, of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the political, economic, social, cultural or any other field of public life.

"2. This Convention shall not apply to distinctions, exclusions, restrictions or preferences made by a State Party between citizens and non-citizens.

"3. Nothing in the present Convention may be interpreted as affecting in any way the legal provisions of States Parties concerning nationality, citizenship or naturalization, provided that such provisions do not discriminate against any particular nationality."
