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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON  
ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS

Reports submitted in accordance with Council resolution 1988 (LX)  
by States Parties to the Covenant, concerning rights covered by  
articles 13 to 15

BARBADOS

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In Barbados the present law on education is contained in the Education Act, Cap. 41 and Sections 1, 2, 29, 66-68 and 82 of the Education Act, Cap. 41A. However, an even more far reaching Act was enacted in Parliament in May of this year (The Education Act 1981-25) which widens the scope of Cap. 41A by incorporating and adding to many of the provisions of Cap. 41 and Cap. 41A. This latest Act, repeals Cap. 41 and 41A and at present is only awaiting the proclamation of the Governor-General to be given the force of law. That being the case, the provisions of the two sets of laws will be outlined since before long the latter will be coming into operation.

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ARTICLE 15. RIGHT TO TAKE PART IN CULTURAL LIFE AND TO ENJOY  
THE BENEFITS OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS AND THE  
PROTECTION OF THE INTERESTS OF AUTHORS

The right of freedom of expression is enshrined in the Constitution under section 20, whether it be cultural or otherwise -

Section 20 (1) states that:

"Except with his own consent, no person shall be hindered in the enjoyment of his freedom of expression",

and under the Copyright Act, Cap. 300, such creative and artistic endeavours are protected.

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