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ANNEX C

(Copy of a letter from the Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth Relations of India to the Secretary-General)

New Delhi, 23 March 1948

The Minister for External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations presents his compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations and invites his attention to his letter No. 605-1-4 dated the 30th September 1946 regarding the establishment of Local Human Rights Committees as recommended by the Nuclear Commission, during its session from 29th April to 20th May 1946, and subsequently confirmed by the Second Session of the Economic and Social Council. The Government of India wish to state that all the fundamental human rights and freedom have been incorporated in the new draft Constitution which is expected to be adopted in the near future. Provisions in the Constitution relating to these rights will be binding on all the territories within the jurisdiction of the Indian Union and any violation of the fundamental rights will be brought to the notice of the Federation. In these circumstances the Government of India have decided that the question of establishing Local Committees should be pursued, if necessary, only after the Constitution has been ratified.