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United States of America: Revised proposal concerning the right to education (E/CN.4/EC.14/2/Add.4, Section IX, and E/CN.4/539/Rev.1)

Education, Science and Culture

The States Parties to the Covenant recognize:

1. the right of everyone to education;
2. that primary education should be free and compulsory;
3. that secondary education, in its different forms, including technical and professional secondary education, should be generally available and should be made progressively free;
4. that higher education should be accessible to all on the basis of merit;
5. that fundamental education for those persons who have not received or completed the whole period of their primary education should be encouraged as far as possible;
6. that education should encourage the full development of the human personality, strengthen respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all nations, racial or religious groups, further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace and enable all persons to participate effectively in a free society;
7. that the conservation, development and dissemination of science and culture should be encouraged in order that everyone may
 - a) take part in cultural life; and
 - b) enjoy the benefits of scientific progress.