



# **Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women**

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### Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women Forty-seventh session

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Chairperson: Ms. Zou Xiaoqiao (Vice-Chairperson)

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The meeting was called to order at 12.40 p.m.

Adoption of the report of the Committee on its forty-seventh session (CEDAW/C/2010/III/L.1; CEDAW/C/BFA/CO/6, CEDAW/C/CZE/CO/5, CEDAW/C/IND/SP.1, CEDAW/C/MLT/CO/4, CEDAW/C/TUN/CO/6 and CEDAW/C/UGA/CO/7; CEDAW/C/2010/III/CRP.1)

1. **Ms. Neubauer** (Rapporteur) introduced document CEDAW/C/2010/III/L.1, containing chapters II and III of the Committee's draft report, and the draft concluding observations, as amended, on the reports by States parties that the Committee had considered during the forty-seventh session (CEDAW/C/BFA/CO/6, CEDAW/C/CZE/CO/5, CEDAW/C/IND/SP.1, CEDAW/C/MLT/CO/4, CEDAW/C/TUN/CO/6 and CEDAW/C/UGA/CO/7).

2. **The Chairperson** said that she took it that the Committee wished to adopt the sections of the draft report contained in document CEDAW/C/2010/III/L.1 and the draft concluding observations on the reports by States parties considered at the session.

3. It was so decided.

4. **Ms. Neubauer** (Rapporteur) introduced the draft report of the Working Group of the Whole (CEDAW/C/2010/III/CRP.1), which described the actions taken by the Committee under items 5 and 6 of the provisional agenda (CEDAW/C/2010/47/1/Rev.1 and Corr.1).

5. **The Chairperson** said that it was her understanding that the Committee wished to adopt the draft report of the Working Group of the Whole, as amended, for inclusion in the Committee's draft report.

6. It was so decided.

7. The draft report of the Committee on its forty-seventh session was adopted as a whole, as amended, subject to finalization by the Rapporteur.

#### Provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session

8. **Ms. Neubauer** (Rapporteur) drew attention to the provisional agenda for the fortyeighth session, which was to be found in the report of the Working Group of the Whole.

9. The provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session was adopted.

#### Statement by the Chairperson

10. **The Chairperson** said that the Committee had considered the reports of six States parties submitted under article 18 of the Convention. In addition to adopting concluding observations on the reports of the foregoing States parties, the Committee had adopted two general recommendations: one on older women and protection of their human rights, and another on article 2 of the Convention.

11. The Committee had also issued a joint press release with the Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities concerning the flooding in Pakistan and a statement on the establishment of UN Women. It had decided to draft a general recommendation on women in armed conflict and post-conflict situations and would establish a working group to that end in January 2011. It was also working with the Committee on the Rights of the Child on a joint general recommendation on harmful practices.

12. The Committee had considered follow-up information on the implementation of the Convention and had decided, on the Working Group's recommendation, to conclude its follow-up procedure in relation to communication No. 4/2004, as it was satisfied with the

implementation of its recommendations. The Committee had adopted the report of the rapporteur on follow-up and had decided to send reminders to several States that had not submitted their follow-up reports within the established deadlines.

13. During the Committee's constructive dialogues with the six States parties, it had recommended that the Convention should be integrated fully into their domestic legislation. It was important to associate the implementation of the Convention with that of other human rights treaties and policy documents, such as the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the Millennium Development Goals and Security Council resolutions 1325 (2000), 1820 (2008) and 1888 (2009). She urged States parties to ensure that the Committee's concluding observations on their periodic reports were discussed in parliament and that their next periodic reports and reports submitted in the context of the Committee's follow-up procedure were made available to parliament and to all Government ministries.

#### **Closure of the session**

14. Following an exchange of courtesies, **the Chairperson** declared the forty-seventh session closed.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.