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MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON
THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION*

Report of the Secretary-General

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The New Zealand Government, supported by the people of New Zealand, is strongly opposed to any form of prejudice and discrimination based on consideration of race.

In New Zealand relationships between the Maori and European peoples have on the whole demonstrated that the standards set by the Declaration on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination are realistic and practical. The Maori Affairs Department and the laws which it administers meet the particular needs for special concrete measures envisaged in article 2, paragraph 3, of the Declaration.

Other legislation and the principles of the common law ensure equality before the law. Public opinion is alert and active in promoting the aims embodied in the Declaration and in censuring any instances of discrimination.

It is the policy and practice of the New Zealand Government and its agencies - including those in the education and information fields - to help to sustain a healthy public conscience. The daily Press and other information media also play a full and constructive part.

In accordance with the second operative paragraph of General Assembly resolution 1905 (XVIII), arrangements were made with the United Nations Association of New Zealand for the text of the Declaration to be distributed as widely as possible to schools, universities and all administrative departments of the Government.
