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A Malagasy National Committee on Human Rights was established at the end of 1967 to organize appropriate commemorative events. The Committee includes, besides representatives of the ministerial departments concerned, two members of the Malagasy Parliament, in order that Parliament may be kept informed of the arrangements to be made and measures to be taken in implementation of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

The National Committee was made responsible for:

- (a) Drawing up a programme of celebrations relating to all aspects of human rights;
- (b) Submitting to the Government the measures and activities it proposed to organize;
- (c) Ensuring the success of the programme, in close collaboration with such Malagasy bodies as it believed should appropriately take part in the preparatory work.

To that end, two sub-committees were set up within the National Committee:

- (a) The first was responsible for compiling the texts bearing on human rights and for drawing up a list of the international instruments relating to human rights to which the Malagasy Republic is a party;
- (b) The second was responsible for the administrative and physical arrangements for the various commemorative events scheduled under the programme.

With regard to public information activities, Decree No. 65/454 of 8 October 1968 proclaimed 1968 as the International Year for Human Rights. Celebrations should take place during the week of 7 to 14 December 1968, and will include the following:

- A speech by the Head of State;
- The showing of films on human rights;
- A painting and poster competition on the subject of human rights;
- A competition for an essay on the subject of human rights in which all students, workers and trade unions may take part;

- The translation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights into the Malagasy language;
- The publication of articles on human rights in the bulletins of ministerial departments and of the appropriate public and private agencies.

In addition, addresses will be delibered by the following leading public figures:

The President of the National Assembly,

The President of the Senate,

The Vice-President of the Government,

The Minister of State for the Interior,

The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs,

The Keeper of the Seals, Minister of Justice,

The Minister for Cultural Affairs.

These addresses will be broadcast three times daily during the week of 7 to 14 December 1968.

A list of the international conventions, agreements and treaties relating to human rights to which the Malagasy Republic is a party is annexed hereto.

#### ANNEX

## List of international conventions, agreements and treaties relating to human rights to which the Malagasy Republic is a party

Convention No. 4: Night Work (Women), 1919.

Convention No. 5: Minimim Age (Industry), 1919.

Convention No. 6: Night Work of Young Persons (Industry), 1919.

Convention No. 11: Right of Association (Agriculture), 1921.

Convention No. 12: Workmen's Compensation (Agriculture), 1921.

Convention No. 13: White Lead (Painting), 1921.

Convention No. 14: Weekly Rest (Industry), 1921.

Convention No. 19: Equality of Treatment (Accident Compensation), 1925.

Convention No. 26: Minimum Wage-Fixing Machinery, 1928.

Convention No. 29: Forced Labour, 1930.

Convention No. 33: Minimum Age (Non-Industrial Employment), 1932.

Convention No. 41: Night Work (Women) (Revised), 1934.

Convention No. 52: Holidays with Pay, 1936.

Convention No. 87: Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise, 1948.

Convention No. 95: Protection of Wages, 1949.

Convention No. 100: Equal Remuneration, 1951.

Convention No. 101: Holidays with Pay (Agriculture), 1952.

Convention No. 111: Discrimination (Employment and Occupation), 1958.

Convention No. 116: Final Articles Revision, 1961.

Convention No. 117: Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards), 1962.

Convention No. 118: Equality of Treatment (Social Security), 1962.

Convention No. 119: Guarding of Machinery, 1963.

Convention No. 120: Hygiene (Commerce and Offices).

Convention No. 122: Employment Policy.

Convention and Protocol against Discrimination in Education (ratification and adherence).

Slavery Convention.

Convention on Traffic in Women and Children.

Convention on the Political Rights of Women.

Moscow Treaty on the partial cessation of nuclear weapon tests.

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies.

Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

Amendment to Article 109 of the Charter of the United Nations.

Agreement for Facilitating the International Circulation of Visual and Auditory Materials of an Educational, Scientific and Cultural Character, with Protocol of Signature and Proces-verbal of deposit of the model form of certificate provided for in article IV of the above-mentioned Agreement, 10 December 1948.

Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, with annexes A, B, C, D and E and Protocol, 17 June 1950.

Convention against Discrimination in Education, 14 December 1960.

Protocol Instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be Responsible for Seeking the Settlement of any Disputes which May Arise Between States Parties to the Convention Against Discrimination in Education, 10 December 1962.

Recommendation against Discrimination in Education, 14 December 1960.

Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict, and Regulations for its Execution, 14 May 1954.

Protocol for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflct, 14 May 1954.

Supplementary Convention on Slavery, the Slave Trade and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery.

Convention on the Political Rights of Women.

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

Amendment to the second revised text of Annex II to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies, relating to the application of the Convention to FAO.

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, signed at Vienna on 24 April 1963, and Optional Protocol concerning the compulsory settlement of disputes.

Geneva Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or Other Gases and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare, of 17 June 1925.

Geneva Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, of 28 July 1951 (<u>Journal Official de la République Malgache</u>, 25 November 1967, Act No. 67-02 of 15 November 1967).