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Unilateral declarations by Member States against torture
and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or
punishment

Report of the Secretary-General

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MAURITIUS

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The Government of Mauritius hereby declares its intention:

(a) To comply with the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (General Assembly resolution 3452 (XXX), annex);

(b) To implement, through legislation and other effective measures, the provisions of the said Declaration.

PHILIPPINES

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On 16 October 1979, the Philippine Government made a unilateral declaration against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. The full text of Proclamation No. 1914, signed by President Ferdinand E. Marcos, reads as follows:

"The Government of the Republic of the Philippines hereby declares its intention:

(a) To comply with the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment /General Assembly resolution 3452 (XXX)/;

(b) To implement, through legislation and other effective measures, the provisions of the said Declaration.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed. Done in the City of Manila, this 16th day of October, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine.

(Signed) Ferdinand E. MARCOS
President and Prime Minister"

PORTUGAL

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/13 September 1979/

1. The Government of Portugal hereby declares its intention to comply with the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (General Assembly resolution 3452 (XXX), annex).
 2. This undertaking entails no change of present Portuguese legislation since the principles which are reflected on the Declaration are already contained in the domestic law of Portugal.
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