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UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Draft Convention on the Elimination of
Discrimination against Women

Texts adopted by the Working Group on the Draft Convention
on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women at its
3rd meeting held on 27 October 1977

Preamble

Paragraph 7 (former paragraph 6): Adopted by consensus.

The text reads as follows:

Recalling that discrimination against women violates the principles of equality of rights and respect for human dignity, is an obstacle to the participation of women, on equal terms with men, in the political, social, economic and cultural life of their countries, hampers the growth of the prosperity of society and the family, and makes more difficult the full development of the potentialities of women in the service of their countries and humanity.

New paragraph (place to be decided): Adopted by consensus.

The text reads as follows:

Concerned also that in situations of abject poverty often women have the least access to food, education, training, health, opportunities for employment and other needs.

Paragraph 8 (former paragraph 7): Discussion postponed.

Paragraph 9 (former paragraph 8): Discussion postponed.

Paragraph 10 (former paragraph 9): Adopted by consensus.

The text reads as follows:

Convinced that the full and complete development of a country, the welfare of the world, and the cause of peace require the maximum participation of women on equal terms with men in all fields.

Paragraph 11 (former paragraph 10): Adopted by consensus.

The text reads as follows:

Bearing in mind the great contribution of women to the development of society, so far not fully recognized, the social significance of maternity and of the role of both parents in the family and in the rearing of children.
