QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS SUBJECTED TO ANY FORM OF DETENTION OR IMPRISONMENT, IN PARTICULAR:

10 (a) Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

Written statement submitted by the World Federation of United Nations Associations, a non-governmental organization in category II consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following communication, which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1296 (XLIV).

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Convention against Torture

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH PLINARY ASSEMBLY OF UFUNA,

RECALLING UFUNA's long-standing commitment to the international campaign for the abolition of torture,

REQUESTS the Secretary-General of UFUNA and UNAs to support efforts in the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to elaborate an effective convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment, including in particular the following principles:

(i) the obligation of all countries to try and extradite persons in respect of whom there is a prima facie case of having perpetrated acts of torture anywhere;

(ii) the obligation not to expel or extradite persons to countries where they risk being subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment; and

(iii) the provision of an effective mechanism for monitoring conditions of detention so as to avoid acts of torture or cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment.