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UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT
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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
8th meeting held on 15 November 1977

Article 4

Paragraph 1: Discussion was postponed.

Paragraph 2: Adopted by consensus. The text reads as follows:

"Adoption by States of special measures, including those measures contained in the present Convention, aimed at protecting maternity, shall not be considered discriminatory."

A reservation made by the German Democratic Republic will be reflected in the report to the Third Committee.

Article 5

Paragraph 1: Adopted by consensus. The text reads as follows:

"The States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to modify the social and cultural patterns of conduct of men and women, with a view to achieving the elimination of prejudices and customary and all other practices which are based on the idea of the inferiority or the superiority of either of the sexes or on stereotyped roles for men and women."

Paragraph 2: Decision was postponed.

Article 6 Adopted. The positions of Argentina, Morocco, and Mexico will be reflected in the report to the Third Committee. The text reads as follows:

"Each State Party agrees to repeal all provisions of national penal codes which constitute discrimination against women."

Article 7 Decision was postponed.