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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
12th Meeting held on 2 December 1977

New article 9 (to follow article 8)

Version proposed by the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic adopted by consensus as amended by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United States of America and the United Kingdom. The text reads as follows:

"Each State Party shall undertake all appropriate measures to ensure to women on equal terms with men and without any discrimination the opportunity to represent their Governments at the international level and to participate in the work of international organizations."

Article 10 (former article 9)

Paragraph 1: Two versions will be reflected in the report of the Working Group to the Third Committee - first, the amendment of Kenya contained in A/C.3/32/WG.1/CRP.8/Add.2; and second, the sub-amendment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics contained in A/C.3/32/WG.1/CRP.9. The texts read as follows:

(1) Amendment of Kenya

Replace paragraph 1 by the following: "The States Parties shall grant spouses equal rights to acquire, change or retain their nationality. They shall ensure in particular that neither marriage to an alien, dissolution of such marriage nor change of nationality of either spouse shall automatically change the other spouse's nationality or render him or her stateless."

(2) Sub-amendment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the amendment of Kenya

"The States Parties shall grant women equal rights to acquire, change or retain their nationality. They shall ensure in particular that neither marriage to an alien, nor change of nationality by the husband during marriage, shall automatically change the nationality of the wife, render her stateless or force upon her the nationality of the husband".

Paragraph 2: Deleted with the understanding that the objections of the representatives of Sweden and Japan will be reflected in the report to the Third Committee.

Paragraph 3: Deleted with the understanding that the objections expressed by Sweden and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics will be reflected in the report to the Third Committee.

Paragraph 4: The Working Group decided to present to the Third Committee the original text of the paragraph together with the amendment introduced by the Netherlands, with the understanding that the views expressed by different delegations and an oral amendment proposed by Argentina will be reflected in the report.

The text of paragraph 4 as it appears in the Draft Convention reads as follows:

"The States Parties agree to grant women equal rights with men to transmit their nationality to their children."

Amendment by the Netherlands

Replace the words "to transmit their nationality to their children" with the words "with respect to the nationality of their children."

Amendment by Argentina

After the words "the States Parties" add the words "where it applies."

Title

The Working Group decided to refer to the Third Committee the original title of the draft Convention together with the amendment proposed by the Philippines, Romania, and Rwanda. The title of the draft Convention reads as follows:

"Draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women"

Amendment by the Philippines, Romania, and Rwanda

Replace the title by the following:

"Draft Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women"