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Article 23

1. States Parties to the present Convention, undertake to submit to the Group of Experts reports on the measures they have adopted which give effect to the rights recognized herein and on the progress made on the enjoyment of those rights:
 - (a) within three years of the entry into force of the Convention for the States Parties concerned;
 - (b) thereafter every five years.
2. Where relevant information has previously been furnished to the United Nations or to any specialized agency by any State Party to the present Covenant, it will not be necessary to reproduce that information, but a precise reference to the information so furnished will suffice.
3. Reports made under this article may indicate factors and difficulties affecting the degree of fulfilment of the obligations under the present Convention.
4. The Group of Experts shall study the reports submitted by the States Parties and shall submit its report and such general comments as it may consider appropriate through the Economic and Social Council to the General Assembly.

5. Copies of the report and comments of the Group of Experts shall be sent to the States Parties and to any specialized agencies having competence in a manner referred to in a report.
6. The States Parties may submit to the Group of Experts observations on any comments that may be made in accordance with paragraph 4.
7. Specialized agencies may submit observations or comments made in a report that they receive in accordance with paragraph 5.
8. The Group of Experts may invite specialized agencies to assist in the implementation of the Convention and, for that purpose, may
 - (a) invite specialized agencies to submit reports on matters within their jurisdiction;
 - (b) to participate as observers, if they agree, in meetings of the Group of Experts considering matters within the jurisdiction.