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DRAFT CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

Denmark: Proposal for article 21 (E/CN.6/591)

Article 21

With a view to ensuring the observance of the provisions of this Convention:

1. States Parties shall undertake to promote measures at the national level aimed at achieving progressively the full realization of the rights recognized in the present Convention.
2. States Parties shall undertake to submit reports on the legislative, judicial, administrative and other measures which they have adopted and which give effect to the provisions of the present Convention. Reports may indicate factors and difficulties affecting the degree of fulfilment of obligations under the present Convention. All reports shall be submitted through the Secretary-General of the United Nations for consideration by the Special Committee established by this article.
3. A Special Committee (hereafter referred to as the Committee) shall be established by the Commission on the Status of Women consisting of 15 members elected by the Commission from a list of persons nominated by the States Parties from among their nationals, consideration being given to equitable geographical distribution and to the representation of different forms of civilization as well as of the principal legal systems. The members of the Committee, who shall serve in their personal capacity, shall be elected in accordance with rules to be established by the Commission.

4. States Parties to the present Convention shall furnish their reports in stages, in accordance with a programme to be established by the Committee within one year of the entry into force of the present Convention after consultation with the States Parties and the specialized agencies concerned.

5. In preparing these reports States Parties are urged to make the fullest use of national machinery established to promote the advancement of women.

6. Specialized agencies shall be entitled to be represented at the consideration of the implementation of such provision of this Convention as fall within the scope of their activities. They shall be entitled to submit reports on the implementation of relevant instruments adopted by them or under their auspices.

7. The Committee shall report to the Commission on the status of Women on its activities and may make general recommendations based on the examination of the reports from the States Parties. The Commission shall undertake to transmit the Committee's report together with its own comments to the ECOSOC.