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### General Comments - Government Responses

#### CERD A/8718 (1972)

Annex IV

Texts of comments of states parties to general recommendations I and II, adopted by the Committee at its fifth session, received up to the end of the sixth session, in accordance with paragraph 2 of article 9 of the Convention a/

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29 May 1972

The Committee should ask States on whose territory racial discrimination exists to adopt the necessary legislative and other measures which will completely eliminate racial discrimination.

If States do not have racial discrimination in their territory, then it may not be necessary for them to adopt legislative or other measures to eradicate practices which do not exist. This is particularly true of States whose constitution proscribes racial discrimination in all its forms and ensures equality to all people before the law without discrimination as to race, origin, language or religion.

Racial discrimination has become a matter of international concern. It cannot be confined to the parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. Naturally States who practise racial discrimination or who tolerate racial discrimination in their territory are reluctant to become parties to the Convention. It is precisely for this reason that the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination should address communications to these States so as to expose their wrongdoing and bring pressure to bear on them in a manner that will ultimately lead to their abandonment of these practices and the elimination of racial discrimination from their territory.

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a/ See chap. IV, para. 99; and, for the texts of general recommendations I and II, see chap. IX, section A, decisions 3 (V) and 4 (V).

#### CERD A/9618 (1974)

Annex V

Texts of comments of States Parties to general recommendation IV, adopted by the Committee at its eighth session, received up to the end of the tenth session in accordance with article 9, paragraph 2, of the Convention a/

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21 September 1973

The Government of the State of Kuwait believes that to the extent that States Parties have responded to questionnaires of the Secretary-General addressed to States Members of the United Nations regarding the demographic composition of their population, such information is already available to the Secretariat and is contained in the documents published by the Secretariat on world population. The competent authorities in the State of Kuwait therefore take the view that it may be easier to obtain the demographic information needed from the statistical information available to the Secretariat rather than from the States Parties to the Convention.

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a/ For the text of general recommendation IV, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 18 (A/9018), chap. X, sect. B, decision 1 (VIII).

**CERD A/9018 (1973)**

#### Annex IV

Texts of comments of States parties to general recommendation III, adopted by the Committee at its sixth session, received up to the end of the eighth session, in accordance with article 9, paragraph 2, of the Convention a/

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The competent authorities in the State of Kuwait agree with general recommendation III...adopted by the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination of 18 August 1972. The recommendation will certainly promote the aims and purposes of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

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a/ See chap. VI, paras. 317 to 322 above; for the text of general recommendation III see decision 1 (VI), chap. IX, sect. B, of the report of the Committee to the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 18 (A/8718).