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Special Decisions or Action Taken Re: Reporting, Including Urgent Action Procedure

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169. It will be recalled that the initial report of Tonga, when considered by the Committee at its eighth session, was found to be incomplete and that the Government of Tonga was requested to furnish the Committee with additional information (A/9018, paras. 286-289). At its ninth session, the Committee had before it a communication from the Government of Tonga which consisted of the statement, "No additional information on Tonga report under article 9 of the Convention". The Committee decided to send another communication to the Government of Tonga requesting additional information. The text of that communication, prepared by the Rapporteur and approved by the Committee at its 195th meeting, may be found in annex IV, section A.

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Annex IV

Texts of communications sent through the Secretary-General to States Parties whose representatives did not participate in the consideration by the Committee of their respective reports, submitted in accordance with article 9, paragraph 1, of the convention, at the ninth and tenth sessions of the Committee

A. Communication to the Government of Tonga a/

At the 194th meeting (ninth session), held on 10 April 1974, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination considered the report submitted by the Government of Tonga on 28 March 1974. A summary of the discussion appears in document CERD/C/SR.194.

The Committee has asked the Secretary-General to inform the Government of Tonga of its decision to consider the report incomplete and to request the Government of Tonga to furnish it, through the Secretary-General, with additional information in accordance with article 9, paragraph 1, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, taking into account the Committee's communication of 28 January 1970, its general recommendations I, II, III and IV and its discussion at the 156th and 194th meetings, held on 14 August 1973 and 10 April 1974, respectively. Accordingly, the Secretary-General forwards herewith a copy of document CERD/C/R.60 and Add.1 containing the guidelines laid down in the Committee's communication of 28 January 1970 and the texts of general recommendations I to IV and a copy of the summary record of the 156th meeting. A copy of the summary record of the 194th meeting will be forwarded as soon as its final version is available.

<u>a</u>/Adopted at the 194th meeting, on 10 April 1974.