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List of themes to be taken up in connection with the consideration of the fifteenth and sixteenth periodic reports of the Republic of Korea (CERD/C/KOR/15-16)*

The following is a list of themes identified by the Country Rapporteur in connection with the consideration of the fifteenth and sixteenth periodic reports of the Republic of Korea. The list is meant to guide the dialogue between the State party delegation and the Committee and *does not require written replies*. This is not an exhaustive list as other issues will be raised in the course of the dialogue.

1. **The Convention in domestic law and the legislative framework for its implementation (arts. 1, 2, 4 and 6):**
 - (a) Status of the Convention within the national legal order of the State party and specific examples of its application in national courts;
 - (b) Definition of racial discrimination in the national legal framework;
 - (c) Conformity of the State party's Criminal Code with articles 2, paragraph 1; 4; and 6 of the Convention;
 - (d) Status of the draft Discrimination Prohibition Act of 2007;
 - (e) Complaints of racial discrimination received by the State party, specific actions undertaken to address them, and sanctions issued against perpetrators, as well as compensation provided to victims of such discrimination.

* Late submission

2. Situation of non-citizens, including foreign female spouses, migrant workers, asylum seekers and refugees (arts. 2, 5 and 6):

(a) Update on measures taken to ensure awareness-raising and effective application of the Framework Act on Treatment of Foreigners Residing in the Republic of Korea, especially chapter III, Treatment of Foreigners, ETC, in Korea;

(b) Update on practical measures undertaken to combat any ill-treatment of foreign workers, particularly foreign workers under the Employment Permit System;

(c) Specific information on the number of foreign female spouses reporting domestic violence and actions taken to address them; sanctions issued to perpetrators, as well as mechanisms of redress provided to the victims;

(d) Legal framework for the protection of refugees and applicants for asylum;

(e) Information on the concrete achievements of the First Basic Plan for Policies on Foreigners (2008–2012);

(f) Information on measures implemented, legal and otherwise, for the prevention and prohibition of human trafficking and the protection of victims of human trafficking;

(g) Measures taken to ensure that children of irregular migrants are registered at birth and receive birth certificate regardless of the immigration status of their parents.

3. Human rights education to combat racial discrimination (art. 7):

(a) Specific information on human rights training and education aimed at enhancing human rights knowledge, in particular of the Convention among Government officers, including Government registry clerks, immigration officers and law enforcement officers.
